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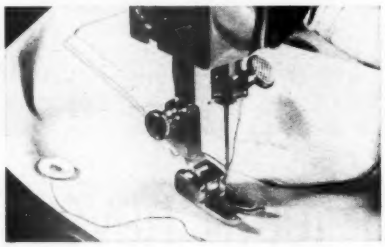

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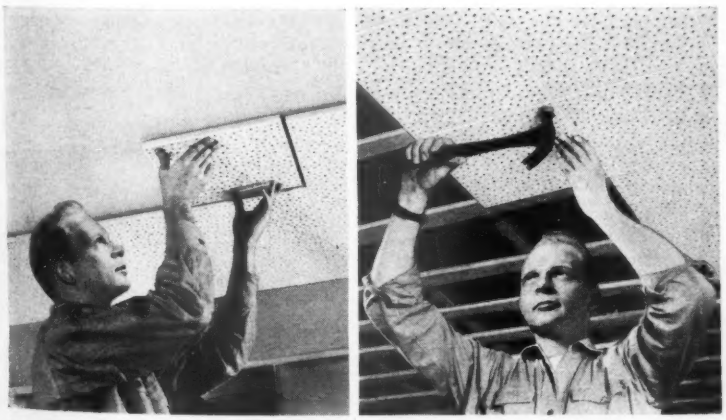

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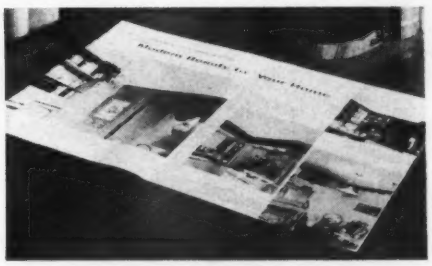

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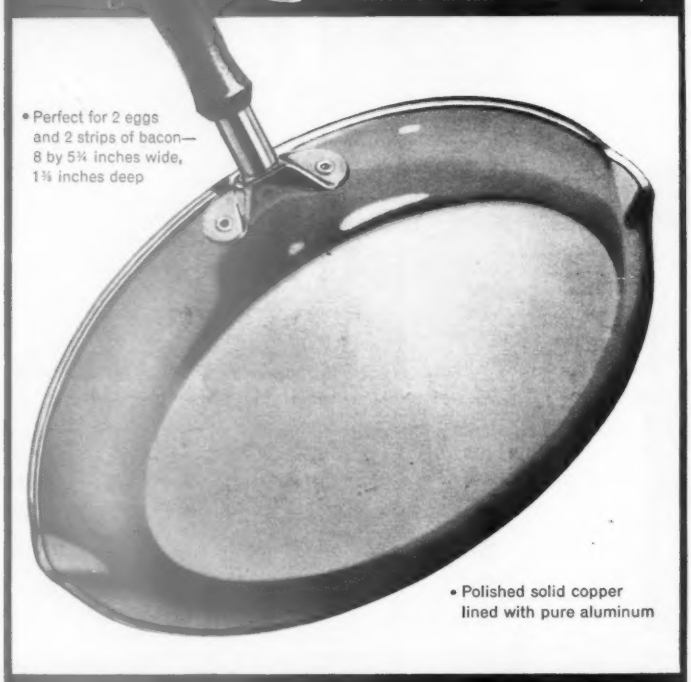

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Why tubeless tires?

By Lawrence Muir

This year, for the first time, most cars are coming from the factory with tubeless tires as *standard* equipment. Conventional tire and tube combinations are optional. So, when you buy a new car—or just a set of tires for your present car—you're going to ask "Why tubeless?" To that, the manufacturers say:

1. They give greater puncture protection.
2. If there is a puncture, it usually will show up as a slow leak rather than a blowout.
3. There's no tube to chafe or wear out.
4. You can repair many of the flats yourself.
5. Tubeless tires are lighter, run slightly cooler, and build up less pressure on long runs. This means less high-speed trouble and longer wear.
6. Since they add less unsprung weight to the car, they are somewhat easier riding.

You'll want proof that tubeless tires are right for you. Some of these questions and answers will help you decide:

Q. ***Are all makes of tubeless tires alike?***

A. In general, but air retention is gained by a combination of an air-impervious liner and/or an integrated carcass construction which makes the body of the tire itself more resistant to passage of air. Different brands vary the emphasis or dependence on these two approaches.

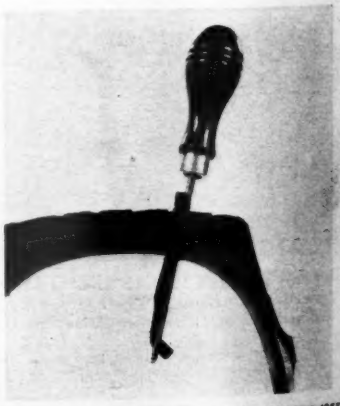
Q. ***Do tubeless tires come in all sizes and grades as do conventional tires?***

A. They are available in all popular sizes. But at the present, they are offered only in premium and first-line grades, not in economy grades.

Q. ***When speaking of tire grades, what is meant by a "first-line" tire?***

A. "First-line" is the equivalent of what the tire industry calls "100-level" quality. They fulfill the requirements of all tires used as original equipment on new cars.

There are so-called "premium" grades—tires with extra safety or wear characteristics, and so on. There are also grades below the "100-level." These are generally known as "economy" tires.



Rubber plug. The plugs and necessary tools for inserting them come in repair kits sold by tire companies.

Needle, plug are dipped in cement, inserted in hole. Plug releases when needle is withdrawn. It is trimmed to ⅛ inch above tread surface.

Q. ***How do the tubeless and conventional tires compare in price?***

A. The price of a tubeless tire is about the same as a comparable tire-and-tube combination.

Q. ***Why do tubeless tires have greater puncture protection?***

A. They have no stretched inner tube to tear and collapse when punctured. When a nail enters the tire, the inner liner and/or tread-and-cord body tends to cling to it so that air loss is usually slow. Air cannot escape through the valve stem, since it is sealed.

Q. ***How does a person know when he has a nail in a tire?***

A. Other than by slow loss of pressure, he may not know until he removes the tire and examines it. Tests have proved that a nail may stay in for thousands of miles, without loss of air or serious damage to the tire.

Q. ***Will tubeless tires fit on any rim?***

A. They can be mounted on standard rims, except in the case of wire wheels or damaged rims. The rim itself is a part of the air container.

Q. ***What keeps tubeless tires from leaking at the rims?***

A. They are held on by tight-fitting beads molded into the tires, plus the pressure of inflation. The beads on some makes contain a core of steel wires, are forced against the rim flange by the inner air pressure.

Q. ***Can tubeless tires be recapped?***

A. Yes, and in the same equipment that is used for ordinary tires.

Q. ***Are tubeless tires punctureproof?***

A. Not necessarily. Some brands are not lined with sealing compound. Even those with a sealer are subject to punctures in such a way that they may leak.

Q. ***Can service stations and garages repair tubeless tires?***

A. With the increasing popularity of tubeless tires, most service stations and garages can now repair them.

Q. ***Can you fix them yourself?***

A. Depending on the size of the hole made in the tire, yes. Most of the tire companies have brought out repair kits, one for professional use and the other for motorists. The latter is designed for fixing only small punctures.

Q. ***Must you take the tire off the rim?***

A. For small punctures, no. In fact, you can fix small punctures while the wheel is still on the car if you can locate the leak. [*Turn to page 246*

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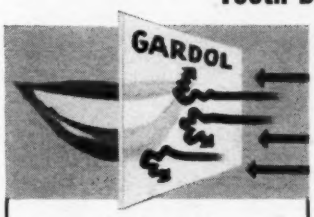

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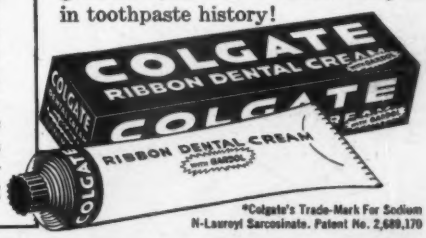

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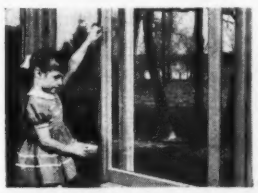

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Sow about three seeds in each band, then save only the sturdiest plant.

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Sift ¾ inch soil over seeds. Three parts soil, one each of sand and peat is good mix.

Make handy sieve of hardware cloth tacked to light frame of scrap wood.

Soak flat by sprinkling until water runs out bottom. Cover flat with plastic and set in a warm place.

Cull out weakest plants when seedlings appear. Leave only one to a band.

Water when soil surface dries. This job is easy with an ordinary clothes sprinkler.

Young plants can go outdoors when sun warms soil. Plant them right in the bands, and water them well.

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Small seeds. Start coleus, petunias, and the like in large flowerpot or coffee can.

Spread fine-screened, damp sphagnum moss an inch thick over soil in pot.

Tamp moss firm and level. Standard pickle jar will serve as excellent tamper.

Sprinkle seeds on surface of sphagnum rather thickly.

Small seeds need no soil covering, germinate best on a damp surface.

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Set pot in a sunny window. As seeds germinate, gradually slide pane off pot to allow air to circulate freely.

Dig seedlings carefully when they have developed two to four true leaves each.

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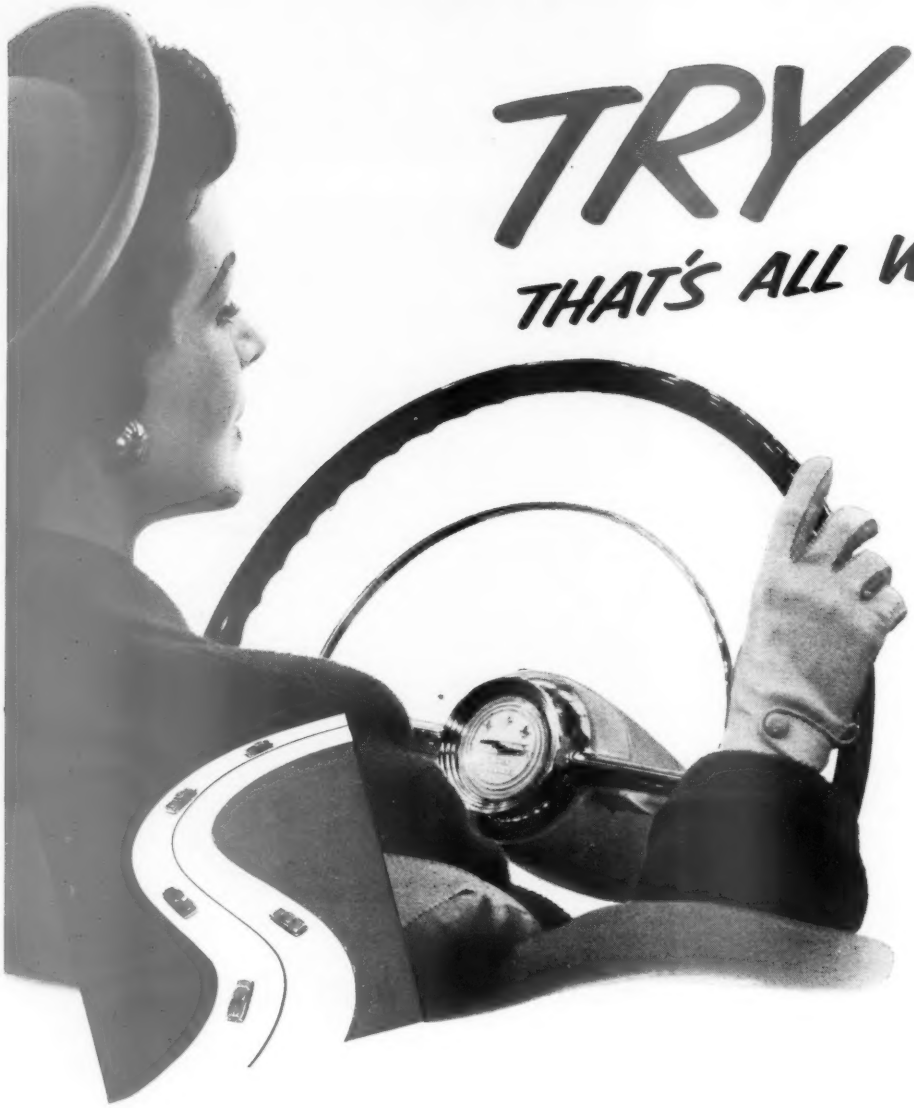

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New cure for crabgrass

Crabgrass has defied everything but Sodar

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By Dr. R. Milton Carleton

Here's red-hot news for anyone with a lawn. It's a new crabgrass killer that's swift, sure, and safe for your grass.

The name of this wonder chemical is Sodar. It is by far the best crabgrass control yet tested. And it works so fast you can see the effect the day after you spray.

Sodar's biggest advantage over the currently available crabgrass chemicals is its dependability. Some earlier controls that did a good killing job had to have precise sunshine and humidity to perform well.

Some of these other controls were harmful to permanent grasses, too. It was often necessary to wait so long to reseed over patches of killed crabgrass that the turf didn't have a chance to thicken up in time to repel new invasions.

Not so with Sodar. Its lack of residual effect allows a reseeding two or three days after treatment. Its attack seems to be limited to annual grasses and some weeds. The grasses Sodar has been used on, with no harmful effects, include Kentucky and Merion bluegrass, zoysia, Bermuda, bentgrass, fescues, and redtop.

No Southern grasses, like St. Augustine or Tiflawn, have been tested. So caution's recommended here. Try a little Sodar treatment in one corner, then check in four days. Any potential damage should show by then.

Its success with weeds like chickweed, knotgrass, and purslane would seem to predict great things in store for Sodar as a weed killer, as well as a crabgrass fighter.

It won't do *everything*. One thing that it won't kill is crabgrass seed. For this reason, manufacturers recommend an extra spraying to catch any late seedlings. A lawn free of crabgrass for the rest of the growing season should be yours after two treatments.

Sodar is the trade code name for disodium-monomethylarsonate. Commercially available brands, which will have their first nationwide distribution this spring, may carry either or both titles under their trade name. The chemical dissolves readily and won't injure spray equipment.

Present costs per square foot are close to those for other crabgrass controls. Sodar has an arsenic base, so can't be considered "harmless." But there's nothing to indicate any danger if normal care is exercised.

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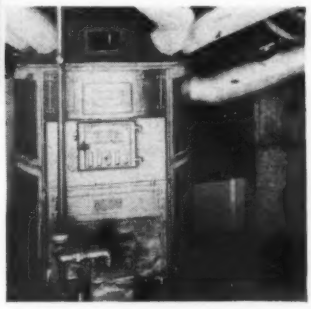

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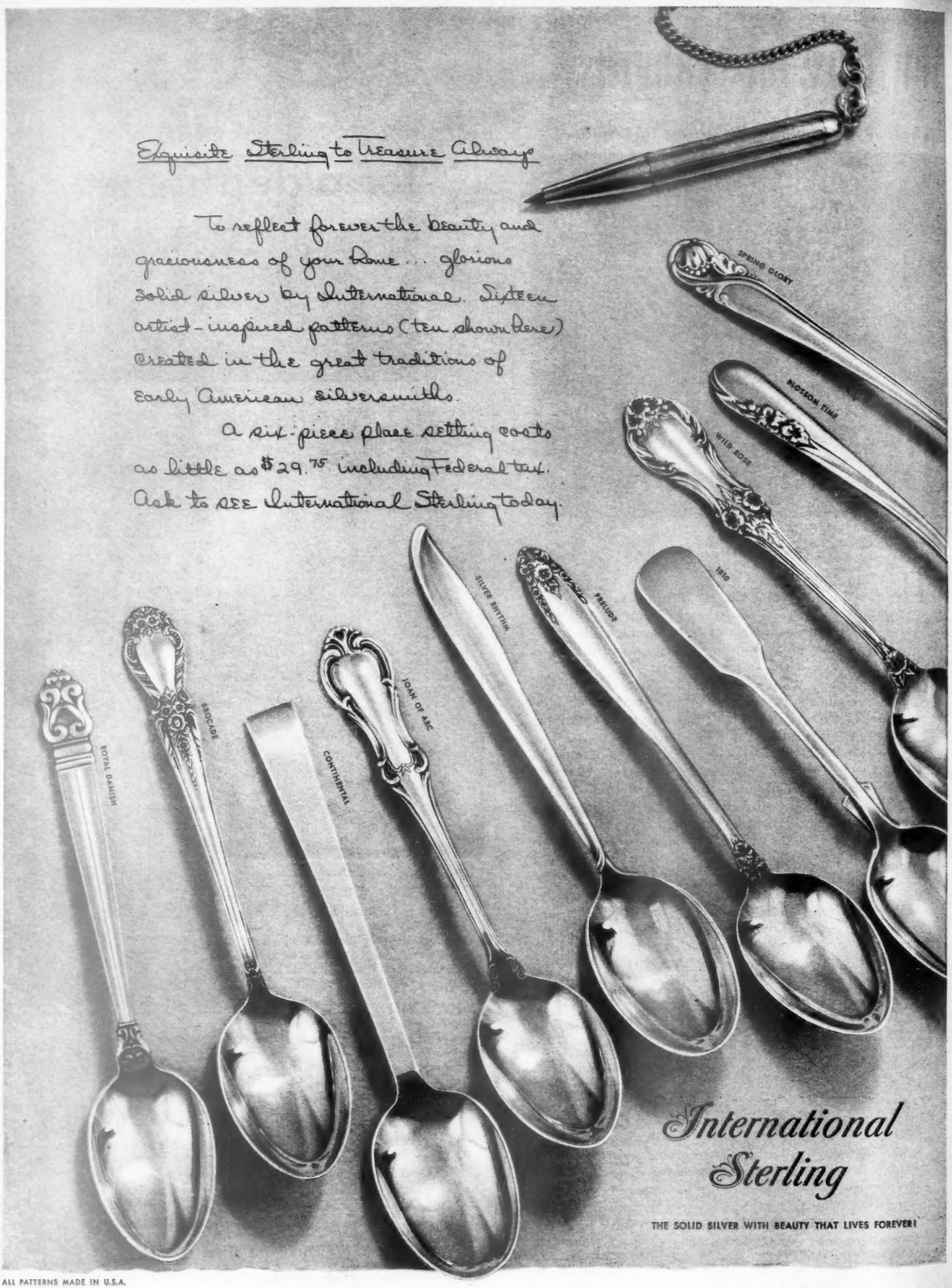

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Have you heard?

Latest Garden News

By Dr. R. Milton Carleton

What puts the sweet in sweet corn?

A highly volatile substance is evidently responsible for more of sweet-corn's sweetness than is sugar. A University of Minnesota scientist reports precooled sweet corn, standing 30 hours, loses only one-third as much sugar as uncooled ears. Yet, flavor loss continues, even though sugar content remains high.

Leafless seedlings bear early tomatoes

Stripping a tomato seedling of leaves sounds like a sure way to ruin it. Even so, I tried this recommendation of a Dutch researcher and stripped plants when they had three or four leaves, then set them out in my garden.

As a result, these plants bloomed at 7 weeks, while those with leaves hadn't begun to flower. Leaves grow back quickly, and plant matures at lower height than normal. Total production is no greater—you have just earlier, more profitable fruits.

Watch for plastic wraps

You may have a pleasant surprise, this spring, when you open up the package of plants you ordered earlier.

Nurserymen have long used heavy, moist wrappings to ensure the safe arrival of plants. But the heavy packages add to shipping costs and to cost of plants.

Now, as the result of research by John P. Mahlstede at Iowa State College, nurserymen are able to ship plants to you with the same advanced protection given fresh vegetables—a plastic wrap.

Shipping tests show that a polyethylene film will protect plants as well as the damp sawdust, sphagnum, and shingletow previously needed. Fortunately, almost all types of plants can be shipped with plastic protection—perennials, roses, even small trees.

Exciting new berry out

"Blackhawk," outstanding new hybrid black raspberry, will be available to you for the first time this spring. Featuring larger berries and heavier yield, it's a result of 20 years research at Iowa State College.

The fruit's of top quality when fresh, frozen, in jams, pies, or sauces. It's vigorous and develops strong fruiting branches when "pinched back."

Dust ear worms out of sweet corn

Sweet corn can be virtually immune to ear worm if you follow advice of Cornell entomologists. They say that ear-worm moths lay eggs from time silk first shows until it begins to wither—about 12 days.

Dusting with 5 percent DDT every 3 days during this period will keep worms from hatching.

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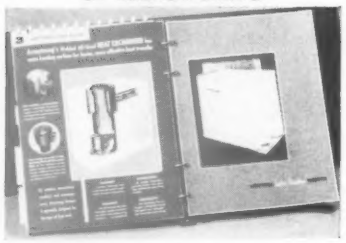

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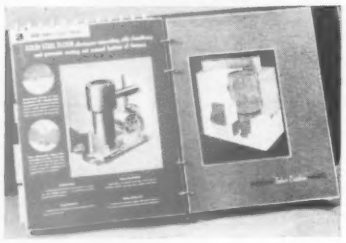

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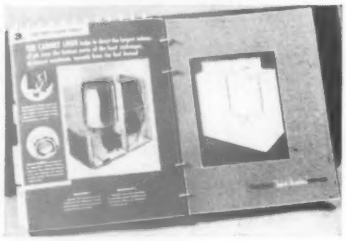

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Two new income-tax benefits

Home buyers or sellers: Two sections of the revised Internal Revenue Code may save many dollars in federal income taxes

By Edwin L. Stoll

1 New deductions when you sell your home to buy another. History of this change dates back to 1951. Then, witnesses pointed out to Congress an income-tax injustice that had been around since World War II. Because of the cheapening of the dollar, families who sold their homes and bought again when forced to move from city to city were caught in a trap by the capital-gains tax law.

One witness put it this way: "If my old house has gone up in value over the original purchase price, this increase will be taxed to me as a gain. Yet, right off the bat I have to pay a comparable price for my new home. It doesn't make sense. I had a home, and now all I have is another home.

"Neither home is worth more or less than the other. But in changing, I'm stuck with a big tax liability."

Congress took note. In 1951, the income-tax law was amended. No longer did a person have to pay federal capital-gains tax on the "profit" comparison of his present sale price and his original purchase price . . . *if he reinvested this money in another home.*

To qualify, the taxpayer must have bought this substitute home any time from one year *before* to one year *after* the sale of his first, and he must have occupied it within a year after. In case he *built* a new home, he must have moved in within 18 months.

The new law continues this benefit, but makes it more liberal. In arriving at the selling price of your first house, you may now subtract two items. One is the expense of sale, such as a broker's commission. The other is fixing-up expense (papering, painting, etc.) to sell your old house. This must be for work done within a 90-day period prior to the sale and paid for 30 days after the sale.

Say you bought a house in 1940 for $10,000 and sell it today for $15,000. You incur necessary selling expenses of $750 and fixing-up costs of $250—that's $1,000 difference.

You now reinvest your *net proceeds* of $14,000 in a second home costing $14,000. As the law stood between 1951 and 1954, a fictitious taxable gain of $1,000 resulted because the selling price of the first home ($15,000) exceeded the cost of the second ($14,000) by this amount.

Now, however, the $1,000 may be deducted, putting you in a tax-free status this year. Of course, you may someday have a capital-gains tax to pay. If you later sell this new house for more than $10,000 (which, remember, was the cost of your original home), you then must pay tax on such excess.

2 A more equitable method for deducting real-estate taxes. The second important revision of the Internal Revenue Code allows a fairer handling of local real-estate taxes in your federal income-tax statement.

When you bought property under the old law, you may have been denied a deduction for local property taxes that you had actually paid. This could happen when the seller had become liable for the tax prior to the date of sale. It made no difference how the sales contract between you allocated the tax. It made no difference whether you'd paid the entire year's assessment and the seller had paid nothing.

The law only recognized a deduction for taxes based upon the date when the tax had become a lien on the property. If, for example, the tax lien was attached to the property before the date of its sale, only the seller could deduct the tax. You, unfortunately, were allowed no deduction on your income-tax statement.

Now, for any sale of property in 1954 or later, taxes must be apportioned between the buyer and the seller.

The share of each will be based upon the number of days in the *real property-tax year* that each holds the house.

This real property-tax year varies from area to area. It's just a fancy way of describing your 12-month tax period—a phrase, like "fiscal year," that shifts the year's beginning and end to something other than the calendar's January 1 to December 31.

Since you must know this period to figure your days of ownership, we suggest you call a local tax official for a definition of the real property-tax year in your area. A lawyer could tell you, too.

Sharing the deduction between buyer and seller works this way: Suppose you bought a house last September 1. And suppose your real property-tax year runs from April 1, 1954, to March 31, 1955.

In this case, the previous owner held the property 153 days (counting from April 1 to September 1). Thus, the fraction 153/365 of the real-estate taxes are considered imposed on him—and are deductible by him in 1954, the year of the sale.

For you, the share of the year's real-estate taxes is 212/365 (from September 1, 1954, to March 31, 1955). And this much is deductible by you from your federal income-tax statement in 1955, the year you (as the buyer) paid the real-estate taxes. Note that very important difference of a year in which the buyer and seller take their deductions.

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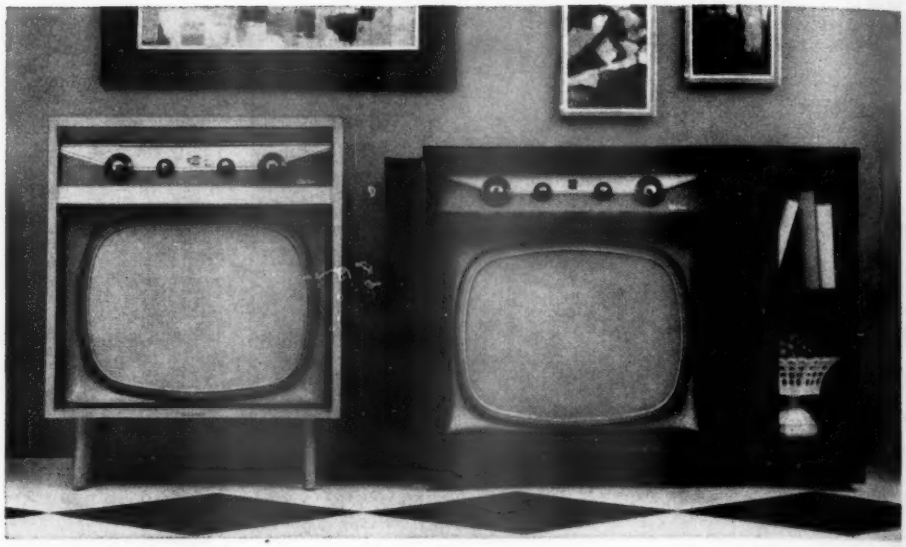

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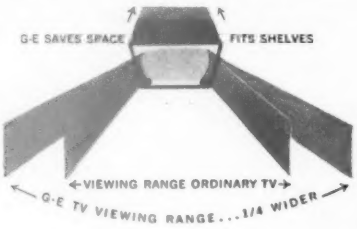

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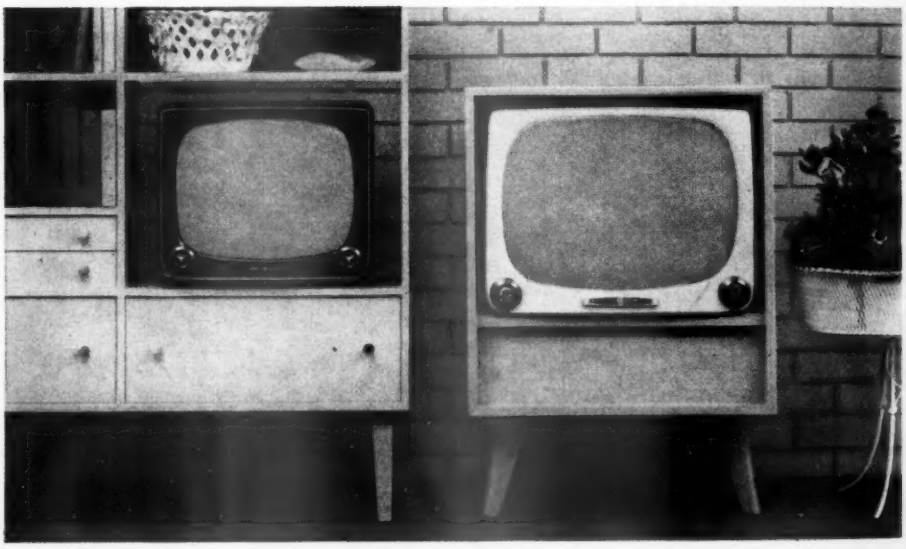

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Wupatki ("tall house") was once a glorious palace that contained 125 rooms

It began about 6 miles east of Flagstaff, Arizona. We were making our first trip west on U. S. 66, and had been seeing the names of the Southwest's enchanted canyons and other natural phenomena on unpretentious signs everywhere. We decided to follow one that directed us to Sunset Crater.

Turning north into the San Francisco Mountains, we were soon traveling under tall pines toward the volcano that had blown its top about 1,000 years ago.

Upward we climbed for about 12 miles, through acres of cinders and lava, until we reached the timber line of the velvety cone. There we found ample room for parking. After exploring the crater, we saw a sign directing us to Wupatki—an Indian ruins.

If you should take this trip, don't let that Wupatki sign frighten you. It says: *One-way road to Wupatki—drive at your own risk.* It's safe, but the main thing is to take it easy. Like everything else, it is covered with fine cinders. The road being one-way, you won't have to worry about passing anyone, and it will eventually lead you out onto U. S. 89, where you can turn south and soon be on U. S. 66 again.

Wupatki means "tall house" in the language of the Hopi Indians, and was once a 125-room palace.

There is no describing the lure and mood of Wupatki. Rising four stories high in some places, it has been partially excavated and restored. We walked down remnants of stone walks to the pile of brick-like sandstone that was once the dwelling place of more than 200 Indians. We climbed crude ladders of the type originally used, from one floor to another, and entered various rooms through windowlike openings. Ceilings that remain are of split Douglas-fir logs.

At the time of the eruption of Sunset Crater, some 17 miles away, inhabitants of the region were frightened away by the rumbling and fall of cinders. When some returned later, they discovered that the cinders formed a mulch over the soil, retaining the moisture, thus enabling crops to be raised in the desert. So a land rush was on. Wupatki and about 800 other homesites were built. Many of them are barely discernible.

Sunset Crater, the silent desert, Wupatki—all are shrouded in an impenetrable veil of the past.

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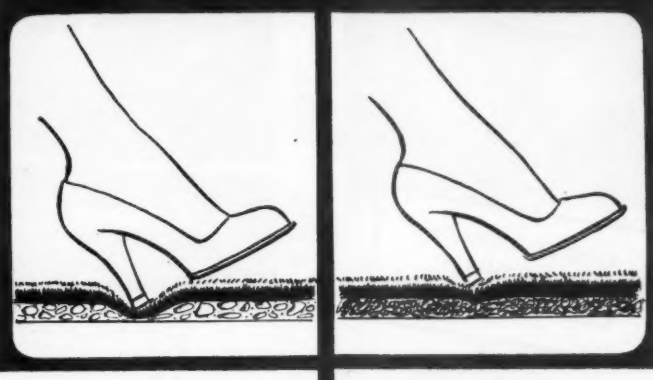

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This long addition better than doubled the space owner had in original house (now a small guest wing at left)

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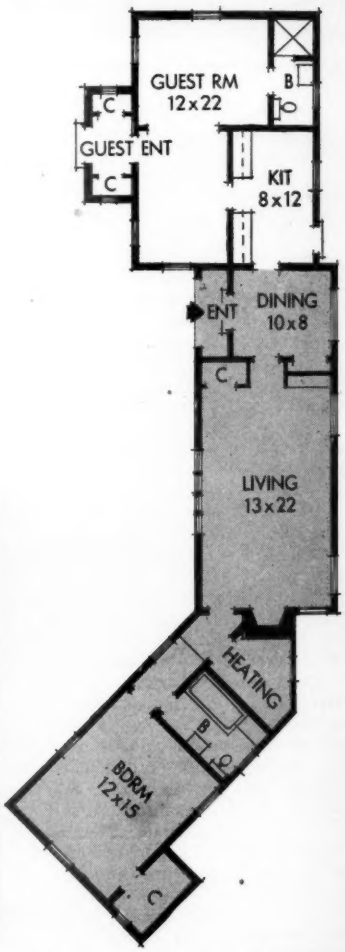
The house then, and now, occupied the highest level of a sloping lot fringed by natural woodlands. And Architect Royal Barry Wills of Boston used this site to the everlasting advantage of the owner.

Instead of tearing down a sound structure and starting from scratch, an angling addition was built on. Now the house is a compliment to its surroundings. More important: The house gained new living and dining rooms and a large bedroom and bathroom.

The owner is Mrs. Carlotta M. Stevens, Cohasset, Massachusetts.



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Addition proves that the low, rambling design so much in favor today can be beautifully adapted in remodeling. The Stevens' house began as a little square box (the toughest beginning). They now have exactly the space they need in an addition that's in character with the original house

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THEN AGAIN . . .

Up in Auburn, New York, at the Owasco Country Club, they put carpeting of 100% nylon where golfers, gamboling out and trudging in, could work it over with their spikes. Someone figured that 1,800,000 spikes had spiked that carpeting. Sand, mud and water were tracked across it. Whatever golfers spill in locker rooms was spilled on it. Result: the oak floor next to it gave entirely. Even the 100% nylon carpeting needed washing. But when it came back, no one could tell which end had been by the door. Quite a problem.

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Electric generator takes over during periods of power failure, keeps your electrical appliances going. It's versatile, too. In 60 seconds, it can be converted to a high-capacity pump for irrigation, lawn sprinkling, or fire control. Another 60 seconds transforms it into a tank-mounted air compressor for painting, or a device to handle garden spraying or insect control. It rolls on wheels from one place to another.

Power Slave, Model No. 25 (2.5-hp unit), $499.50, in stores. Master Mechanic Mfg. Co., Burlington, Wis.

Perk up a studio couch, bed, or sofa with a bolster you make yourself. This plastic bolster is inflatable, comes with complete instructions for making a bolster cover. It's perfect for a neat, smooth, bed-making job, too—and can be deflated and folded away when not in use.

Plinno Inflatable Bolster, $2.98 for 54″ length; $1.98 for 36″ length; $1.49 for 24″ length; in stores. Plastic Innovations, Inc., 185 Riverdale Ave., Yonkers, N.Y.

Glamour knows no boundaries. Now it reaches the basement, with this handsome laundry tub. Made of light plastic, tub is available in a choice of bright decorator colors. Stand is wrought iron, gracefully scrolled. The tub itself weighs 10 pounds, the stand another 10, and the stainless steel back shelf for holding soap, 1 pound. Tub is 24″ square and 12″ deep, with a 21-gallon capacity. Double units may be formed by joining two tubs together with stainless-steel lip.

"Lifetime" *Fiberglas-Plastic Tub*, $39.95, in stores. Gray-Wilson Co., Detroit, Mich.

Here's something new in the take-it-easy department. Plastic dustpan has a long handle and an automatic cover that operates with the handle to trap contents. A real backsaver, it allows you to sweep dust and dirt into the pan without stooping to do so. When you're through, lift dustpan slightly, and it snaps shut, so dust can't spill out.

Dust Pandle, $2.39, in stores. Victory Mfg. Co., 1722 W. Arcade Place, Chicago 12, Ill.

The razor's edge was no sharper than this ingenious garden tool. It's razor-sharp because it has an actual razor-blade edge. When it gets dull, simply substitute new blades—any standard double-edge razor blades will fit. When the tool is not in use, a metal safety guard fits over the blades, protecting small or careless hands from harm.

Lawn Razor, $2.25, in stores. North Wayne Tool Co., Oakland 1, Maine.

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Style, color, fabric—these things you can see—

but it's smart to ask "What's Inside?"

NOW IS A HAPPY TIME TO SELECT FURNITURE! Manufacturers and designers have outdone themselves to bring you ever-lovelier versions of the smartest creations for every type *urban* and *suburban* home.

They have also brought you all-important features that you *can't* see. Things like AIRFOAM—the world's finest cushioning—the truly *modern* cushioning that makes your choice the wisest buy.

For plenty of AIRFOAM in seats, backs and armrests means cool, airy, *lasting* comfort. It means relief from dust, lint, fluff and the common allergies. It means easier housework and fewer repair bills. And even if yours is a modest budget, it means owning the best there is!

Yes, it's smart to ask WHAT'S INSIDE—and smarter still to make sure the answer is AIRFOAM!

Goodyear, Airfoam Dept., Akron 16, Ohio

INSIDE VIEW of furniture above, fabric removed. Plenty of AIRFOAM (shown in cream color) in seats, backs and armrests means years of superb comfort and easy upkeep—*for there is nothing in* AIRFOAM *to sag, snag or break down!*

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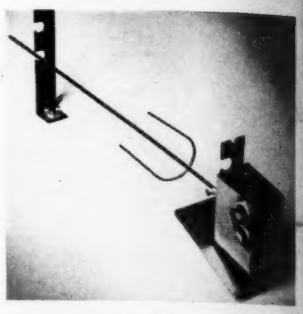
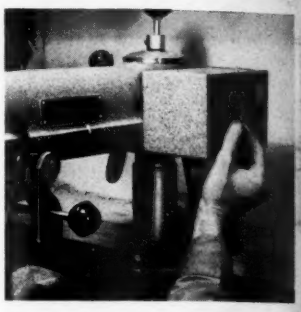
Gadget for golfers is this handy container, which clips to the player's belt, holds two spare balls. When he steps up to tee off, the ball is at his fingertips. Container is made of plastic.

Putt-Pak, 75c, ppd., from mfr. The Plastic Enterprises Co., 3891 W. 150th St., Cleveland 11, Ohio.



Plan now for next summer's outdoor feasts. New rotating spit is completely battery-operated, will provide up to 10 continuous hours of operation. Assemble it yourself, then take it along on beach outings, camping trips, or back-yard barbecues. The entire unit consists of motor unit, two standard flashlight batteries, two spit supports, aluminum heat shield, and chromed spit. Cooking capacity up to 10 pounds.

Roto-Wizard, $11.95, in stores. U. S. Associates, Inc., 2170 W. Venice Blvd., Los Angeles 6, Calif.

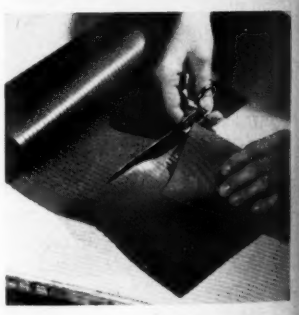


New safety feature for the home workshop is this power brake, which eliminates "drift" time of a cutting tool after the motor has been turned off. Designed for use with DeWalt "Power-Shop" machines, it will cut down the drift time of a 9-inch saw blade from 3 or 4 minutes to about 5 seconds when stopped from a speed of 3,425 rpm. The power brake is entirely automatic and is operated from the same power source that supplies the motor of the machine.

DeWalt Safety Power Brake, $33.75, in stores. DeWalt, Inc., Lancaster, Pa.

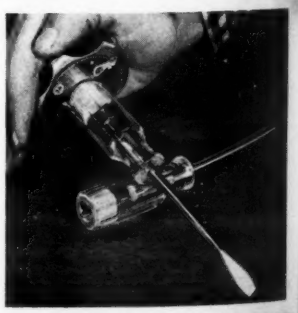
A practical highchair costume for youngsters who lack know-how in the use of knife and fork is this all-encompassing bib. It ties around Baby's neck, has sleeves, bodice, and an extended front which covers the feeding table or highchair. Bib is plastic, easy to clean.

Johnny Bib, $1, in stores. Johnny Bib, Inc., 342 Echo Ct., San Bernardino, Calif.



No need to be a skilled artist or talented craftsman to do it yourself with rubber. Buy this in bolts, use it to cover table tops, counters, stair steps, or window sills. It's available in six bright colors—red, yellow, black, green, coral, and chartreuse.

Custom Rubber, 12"x36", $1.29; 12"x72" and 24"x36", $2.49; 24"x72", $4.98; in stores. Pretty Products, Inc., Rubberware Park, Cochocton, Ohio.



Screwdriver handle fits snugly in the palm of your hand, giving you better leverage, longer reach, and surer control. You work with a comfortable grip and save yourself the discomfort of wrist strain and blistered palms. The ratchet handle is easily removable, if you find yourself with a job that calls for a conventional tool.

Palm-Grip Ratchet Screw Driver, $4.10, in stores. The Kipton Industries, Inc., Kipton, Ohio.

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Lenox "STARLIGHT" so lovely and yet so practical

A celebration dear to the heart calls for a supper just for two, with everything special. On such occasions you'll be so glad you can set the loveliest table possible with the loveliest china . . . with exquisite Lenox Starlight. And whether a set of Lenox is made for tables of Presidents and Kings or your own, it's all the same quality . . . Lenox makes only *one quality* of china, the finest.

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There's a heart-warming glow that seems to come just from slipping behind the wheel and taking in the tasteful luxury of the fabrics, the colors, the finish.

Even the little things seem to be a source of happy pride—like the ingenious new Wide-Speed Wiper that sweeps around the corners of the great panoramic windshield, or doubletimes in rapid strokes when faster cleaning is needed.

But when you turn the key, start the engine and let the wheels start to roll—that's when ROADMASTER really quickens your pulse, really raises your pride.

From the moment you call on the silken might of its 236-hp V8 engine, you know this is a car of almost limitless spirit.

The electrifying safety-surge of its new Variable Pitch Dynaflow—and the *absolute* smoothness that goes hand in hand with it—is thrilling beyond words.

And the masterful levelness of this Buick's all-coil-spring ride—the superb handling magic of its Safety Power Steering—these are things that bring a growing satisfaction.

Your Buick dealer will be more than happy to arrange a ROADMASTER demonstration for you. See him this week—you'll be in for a wonderful experience.

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WHEN BETTER AUTOMOBILES ARE BUILT BUICK WILL BUILD THEM

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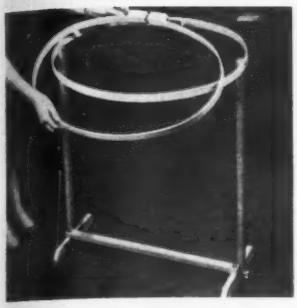
New rear-view mirror has a three-way "gear shift" attachment to reduce glare on the road. Moving the lever through three positions tilts the mirror imperceptibly and gives different reflections for each driving condition—daylight driving, normal night driving, and very-high-glare conditions.

Three-Way Liberty Mirror, $7.50, at auto-sales agencies. Liberty Mirror Division, Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass Co., Nicholas Bldg., Toledo 3, Ohio.

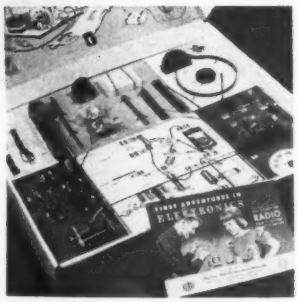


If you're creatively engaged in a quilting or rugmaking project, you'll be interested in this new rug and quilting frame. It's a king-size version of the familiar embroidery hoops, mounted on a lightweight frame. Frame can be adjusted for a comfortable sitting height.

Rug and Quilting Frame, $4.95, in stores. Gibbs Mfg. Co., Canton 2, Ohio.

You'll think you're seeing double, but it's not so. This breadbox is tailor-made for those hearty-eating families who buy loaves in pairs. Made of sturdy, transparent plastic, box has a separate compartment for each loaf, so that bread can be kept fresh and uncrushed.

Twin Bread Box, $2.69, in stores. Tri-States Molding Co., Henderson, Ky.

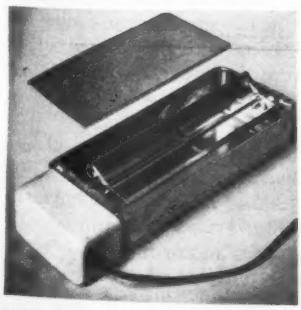


Let your child play at being a ham operator. With the materials in this kit, he can build a battery-operated radio transmitter that will send messages into the family radio in the next room. Set also has equipment needed to assemble a two-tube battery-operated radio receiver, plus instructions for sending wireless messages with the Morse code.

Electronics Kit No. 1, $29.95, in stores. Industrial America, Inc., Merchandise Mart Plaza, Chicago 54, Ill.

Dust won't play so hard to get when you chase after it with this extra-slim duster. It's specially designed to clean difficult spaces between, behind, underneath, and around all those heavy appliances and counters that can't be moved. Try it behind the stove or sink, between the washer and dryer, or beneath an extra-heavy bed.

Super Slim Cleaner, $2.98, in stores. Tu-Way Products Co., 325 Lafayette Bldg., Detroit 26, Mich.



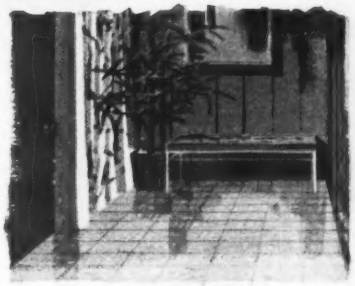
If your mouth is watering for homemade ice cream like Grandma used to make, you can now turn out the same delicious confection—without the strenuous stirring, churning, and beating. New tray has an automatic rotating dasher with twin blades. It automatically creams the mixture as it freezes in your refrigerator, then shuts off when ice cream is soft-frozen. Fits any modern refrigerator.

Freez-O-Tray, $18.95, in stores. The Silex Co., Hartford 2, Conn.

Now! A low-cost vinyl floor!

NEVER NEEDS WAXING!

Look! *One carton covers a 6' x 7½' Foyer floor* with long-wearing, easy-to-walk-on loveliness that thousands of scuffing, muddy feet can't trample into dimness. Dirt can't penetrate KenFlor's "Beauty Smooth", non-porous vinyl. Soil stays on top, wipes off with damp mop or sponge. Never needs waxing!



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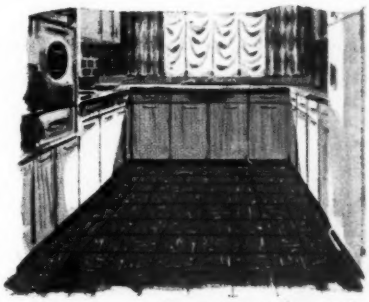

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Look! *One carton covers an 8' x 5½' Kitchen floor* with shining greaseproof vinyl beauty...easiest floor to clean! Hot spattering cooking fats, staining liquids wipe up without a trace of stain. Ideal over wood floors for remodelling, too. Choose KenFlor by-the-yard for sparkling counters and sink tops, as well.

Look! *One carton covers a 5' x 9' Bathroom floor* with glowing moisture-proof beauty...pleasant to barefoot steps. Each tile, bonded to a resilient comfort cushion, is a miracle of weightless strength...pliant, supple, flexible...easy to install yourself. KenFlor cuts with kitchen shears!

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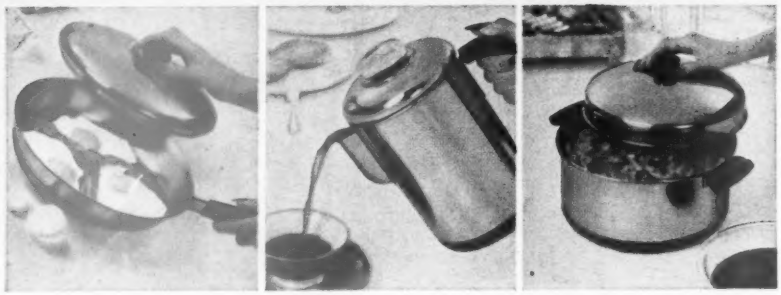

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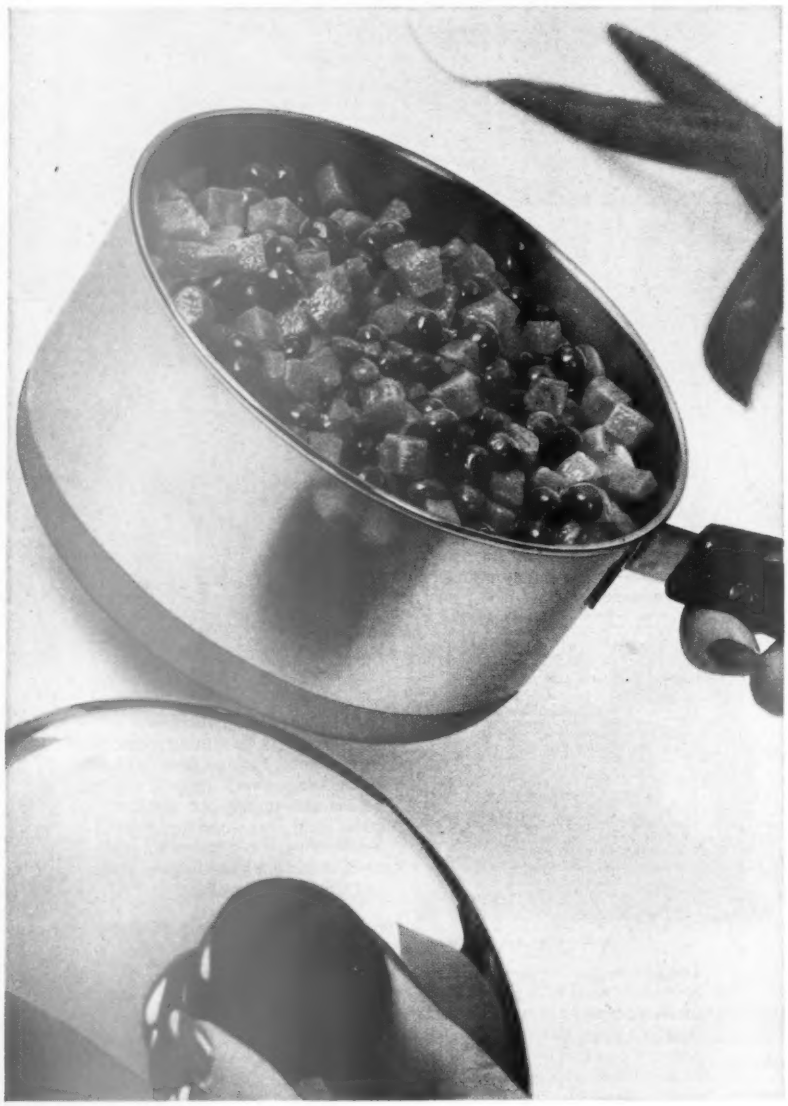

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COPPER ON THE BOTTOM MAKES THE DIFFERENCE

WHAT'S NEW

in home furnishings

Here's news from the big semiannual Home-furnishings Markets in Chicago and Grand Rapids. Later, there will be more detailed reports and pictures of some of the new trends.

A live purple cow (which author Gelett Burgess never hoped to see) was displayed in the Merchandise Mart as a reminder that upholstery leather is now made in all the shades of the rainbow. She was a Holstein, sprayed all over with a purple dye approved by the Society for the Preventionof Cruelty to Animals. Named Prudence, she wore a crown of fresh flowers and a giddy French garter. And she looked very self-conscious and countrified amid all the colorful furniture!

"Have you looked at rayon lately?" was the title of a display of home furnishings which proved that chemists have produced special rayons to do special jobs. The show, assembled by William Pahlmann, was an eye-opener for any of us who may still carry a 10-year-old prejudice against inferior, wartime rayons. For floor covering, there's a special, heavy-duty carpet fiber, springy underfoot, which takes dyes well from palest pastel to deep-tones. For sheer curtains, there's a rayon that's crisp, resists sun and soil. Although the name is still the same, rayon is a lot more versatile than it used to be.

Breathable plastic upholstery fabric combines the porosity of elasticized cotton cloth with a surface coating of vinyl. It feels cool and lets the air escape when a seat cushion is depressed. But the pores are so tiny that the vinyl top is sturdy and spill-resistant. Probably you will not be able to buy this breathable plastic immediately for small reupholstering jobs. Most of it is being sold directly to automobile and furniture manufacturers. But the finished pieces will be identified by a descriptive tag, so we thought you ought to know about it.

Spain inspired a collection of furniture, fabrics, rugs, and wallpaper. The Spanish government invited Dorothy Draper to come over, helped her locate motifs that could be transposed into our American homes and made by American factories. The results are colorful and gay, make good accents for either a Traditional or a Contemporary room. For example, there's a small red chest with front carved like iron grillwork, a wallpaper with bullfight scenes like those etched by Goya, a damask inspired by a lace mantilla.

Milium-treated drapery material has the amazing insulator sprayed right onto the back of the fabric. Wonderful news for the handywoman, because you can make draperies the easy way without lining. Or you can buy the new material in ready-mades. Milium next to the window glass shuts out winter cold and summer heat, prevents sun-fading because the light just can't get through to the printed side of the curtain. Looks all right from the street, too, the Milium spray being a neutral color.

Need movies for your study group? We saw many good ones which can be borrowed at small cost. So if your club wants to know about decorating, making draperies, or buymanship of rugs or furniture, write our Subscribers' Information Bureau for addresses of associations and firms offering films. *We do not have the films nor can we make any dates for showings. We only offer the list as a service.*

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Every "Philly" pie is just as terrific! They're company-best desserts, but there's nothing hard or tricky about the recipes. Just be sure the cream cheese you use is *marked* Philadelphia Brand.

Lemon "Philly" Pie: beat 3 eggs in top of double boiler until thick and fluffy. Continue beating while gradually adding ¾ c. sugar, ½ c. lemon juice and 2 tsp. grated lemon rind. Cook over hot water, stirring constantly until thick and smooth. Cool slightly. Gradually add to a ½-lb. pkg. Philadelphia Brand Cream Cheese; blend smooth. Pour into 9" baked pastry shell. Chill. Garnish with whipped cream just before serving.

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Penicillin, aureomycin, terramycin—such words have become household terms. Yet, there are about a dozen powerful new antibiotics available to your physician to fight typhoid, T.B., and other dread diseases. Here's a guide that will enlighten you when your doctor prescribes a new drug

By Donald G. Cooley

There are two kinds of patients that make a conscientious doctor feel as indignant as a hen ducked in a swimming pool.

One says, "I've got a bad cold, Doc. Can you fix me up with some penicillin?"

The other is horrified when a physician prescribes penicillin or some other antibiotic. "Don't give me that, Doctor! I've read about the awful reactions it causes."

Such attitudes—and in milder form, they're common enough to be of concern to many physicians—can backfire pretty miserably on family health. Like the case reported by a doctor practicing near Youngstown, Ohio. A little girl "had the worst case of tonsillitis I ever saw." The physician wanted to give an antibiotic to stop infection. The child's mother wouldn't permit it. A neighbor had told her she'd read in a newspaper that the drug was dangerous. The raging infection reached the mastoid, required emergency surgery and weeks of hospitalization.

If these examples sound incredible to you, it's because you're a wise person who leaves it up to the doctor to prescribe medicines the family needs. Believe it or not, everybody isn't that smart. "Some families pour on so much pressure for an antibiotic," one physician says, "that they act as if I were guilty of malpractice if I won't prescribe a drug for a condition in which I know it to be useless." And there are people who believe that one antibiotic is wonderful and a different one is downright poisonous, depending on what one-sided miracle story or one-sided scare story they've read lately. A famous person such as Harry S. Truman reacts badly to antibiotics, and millions of people read about it and wonder what's happening to wonder drugs.

Well, doctors have been learning a whale of a lot about antibiotics, ever since the days when penicillin came into use and that drug was considered to be about as harmless as water. They have learned by observing expected and unexpected results in the treatment of millions of patients over periods of many years. Now it's important, and it will become more and more important, that we, the people, learn a little about these revolutionary drugs we shall live with the rest of our lives. Some of us will live *because* of them. "Antibiotics account for more than half of all the prescriptions written in this country," says Dr. Henry S. Welch of the Food and Drug Administration. So you're pretty sure to be an antibiotics customer someday, if you haven't been one up to now.

An antibiotic doesn't look like much. Just a little powder in a capsule, a liquid, a lozenge, less awesome to the eye than Grandma's sulfur and molasses. But for eons of time, certain microbes of the soil have been patiently manufacturing that antibiotic. Not that these microbes have you in mind. The antibiotics they make are the oldest kind of germ warfare, weapons against their own microbe enemies. Some of these enemies are man's dangerous enemies, too, causing infections. So when you take an antibiotic, you are moving into your body a kind of civil war that has been going on between microbes for ages. The drug chosen by your doctor is a war weapon against specific germs that are making you sick, so your body can organize its defenses and you get well.

Since you are alive, and germs are alive, and all things that live are continually changing and adapting, the antibiotics story changes, too. Our bodies are battlegrounds in which subtle changes may occur, and we ourselves may be altered in mysterious ways by antibiotics—for that matter, by many other drugs, by foods, by insect bites, and other unsuspected things.

I'm thinking of one young woman who showed me an identification card she carries in her [*Turn to page 37*

"Script" pattern—Continental China, designed by Raymond Loewy Associates

Emily Post tells how to make delicious "Company Coffee"

What's the correct way to serve Instant Coffee when you're entertaining guests?

"In your best coffee service, of course!" says Emily Post. "I often make Nescafé in a silver coffee server, but any coffee server that looks well with your party table setting is suitable. On the buffet supper table above, for example, a brass-trimmed decanter is used because it fits in with the gold-and-white color scheme.

"And as guests fill their cups at a buffet supper, be sure to have someone keep a constant eye on the supply of Nescafé. The coffee pot should be refilled often, so there's always plenty of piping hot coffee for everyone."

The recipe at the right tells you how to make Nescafé so you're sure of getting *all* the flavor.

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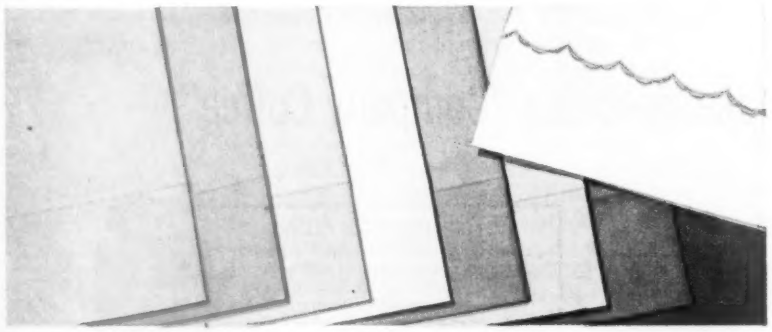

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billfold. She had typed on it in bold capitals: IN AN EMERGENCY DO *NOT* USE PENICILLIN.

She had been given the drug several times for illnesses from which she recovered quickly. The last time, she broke out with fiendishly itching hives. "My doctor told me to carry that 'do not use' warning," she explained, "to forestall an injection by some doctor who would not know I had become sensitized to penicillin."

Keep a record

Suppose *your* doctor asked you, "Have you ever taken this drug before? Did you get a skin rash? Hives? Burning? Nausea, digestive upsets? Any other disturbing reaction?" Could you answer such questions about yourself or other members of your family? Probably not, unless you have a superhuman memory. It's a prudent idea to keep a written record, maybe a small notebook kept in the family medicine cabinet, of potent drugs —not antibiotics alone—prescribed through the years for illnesses in the family. Just a line, with a brief note about unusual aftereffects, if there have been any.

Such information may never be of any use, except to make you a keener observer, decently respectful of potent, modern prescription drugs. But someday, a physician who is puzzled by a mysterious reaction, an unusual response, may ask about drugs that might have been prescribed many months or years before. Today, we have the first generation in history that has been exposed to antibiotics practically from the hour of birth, when penicillin eye drops may be given. Our family doctor knows what drugs he has given us. But families do grow up, move around, change doctors.

Danger. Use with caution

Ninety percent of the prescriptions filled today could not have been filled 15 years ago because the drugs called for did not exist then. Our modern "miracle drug" age is no older than a high-school freshman. Old-time medicines were generally quite harmless—but, with few exceptions, quite useless, too, except to ease pain, reduce fever, promote comfort. Perhaps the most important thing to remember about antibiotics is that they are *potent and effective*. They cure diseases in chemical ways that were quite impossible a dozen years or so ago. Along with truly marvelous, revolutionary benefits come some disadvantages, though. "If a drug is potent and effective, certain side effects in some patients are to be expected," says Robert A. Hardt, president of the American Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association. Our doctors know how to control and prevent such side effects and are very much alert to them. We aren't. So it's rash to reach into the medicine chest for an antibiotic, left over from some old prescription, when we have a fever or "feel a cold coming on." Except for often used drugs, such as nasal sprays, throw out prescription leftovers after they've served their purpose. Empty the contents down the drain so children won't get hold of them.

Most patients, of course, don't have bad reactions to antibiotics, only good ones—that is, they quickly get well. If reactions do occur, the overwhelming majority are more annoying than serious. But some very, very rare reactions are serious indeed. They can kill. Dr. Abraham Rosenthal, assistant medical examiner of the borough of Brooklyn, has collected eight cases of death from what doctors call "anaphylactic shock" caused by penicillin. One case was that of a 28-year-old nurse who reported for duty complaining of a cold. She suspended some penicillin in a vial and asked another nurse to inject it. While she was washing the syringe, she suddenly cried out that she was burning, ripped her clothing, gasped for breath, and died in a few minutes. It was learned that she had taken penicillin before, and the last time had had a severe skin reaction.

Gradual sensitivity

That's a frightening story. But many thousands of young persons take penicillin continuously, not for months but for years, to prevent recurrent attacks of rheumatic fever, and even mild reactions are uncommon. You don't stay out of your garden and remain indoors muffled in cheesecloth because you're terrified that a bee will sting you to death. Yet, people have died anaphylactic deaths from bee stings. Their body chemistry has been mysteriously changed by previous exposure to foreign proteins of bee venom. Possibly 100 anaphylactic reactions to penicillin occur each year—an infinitesimal fraction of millions of patients. However, there were *no* such reactions to penicillin when it was a brand-new drug. Repeated exposures seem necessary to create sensitivities which in most extreme form occur in but very few people. Any antibiotic, and many other lifesaving drugs, may create similar sensitivities if used repeatedly in as many millions of patients as penicillin has been.

It would be tragic if such rare disasters, easy to inflate into scary headlines, left an impression that antibiotics, or any particular antibiotic, are something to be shunned. It is immeasurably more dangerous *not* to give an indicated antibiotic than to give it. We can leave such decisions to our doctors with utmost peace of mind—for every month, every day, physicians and pharmaceutical firms and chemists are protecting the public,

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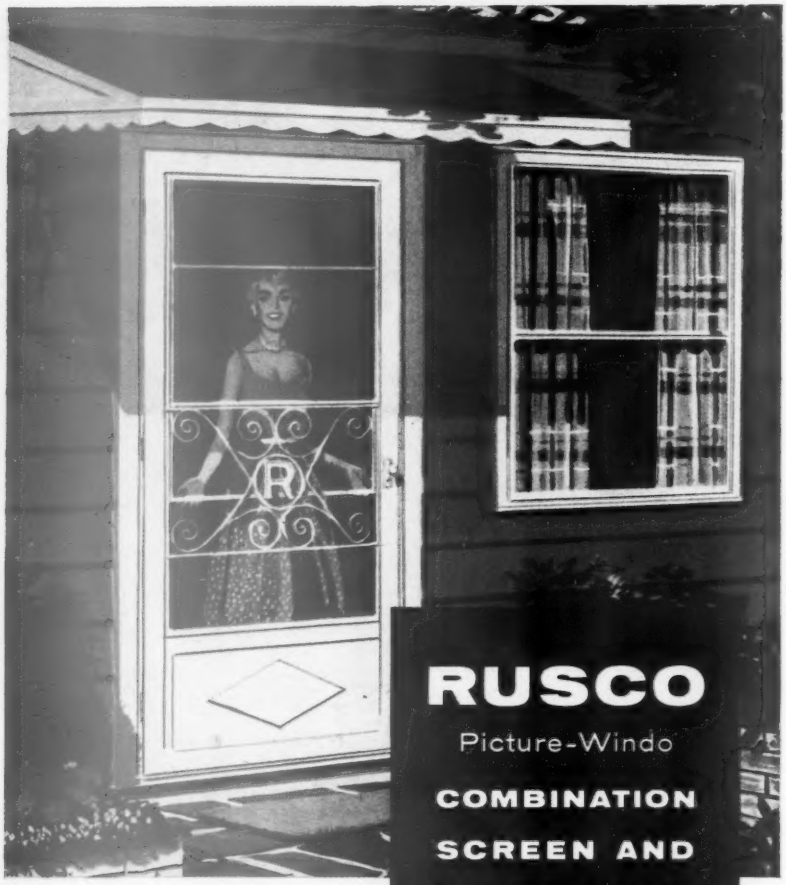

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To find out what was "weakening" penicillin, spoiling the miracle, chemists worked ceaselessly, brilliantly (and expensively) to separate pure forms of penicillin from mixtures containing many forms. Manufacturing processes were changed so that only potent penicillin molecules were made, and the day was saved. This kind of monkeying with drug molecules goes on all the time, to the great benefit of the public. Chemists know where every atom "sits," in many molecules, as precisely as a schoolteacher knows the seating arrangement of her classroom. And a very slight change in seating arrangement—such as moving rambunctious Jimmy out of a row of small girls into the company of boys twice as big as he is—can make spectacular differences in human behavior, and of the behavior of molecules as well. An example is a relatively new drug form, penicillin O, which is less likely to cause allergic reactions than some other kinds of penicillin.

Preventing side effects

Another way of controlling penicillin reactions, beginning to be used more commonly, is to add an anti-histamine drug to the "shot" before it is given. Or, an anti-histamine may be given separately, if a skin-rash reaction to penicillin is anticipated. More potent agents, such as adrenalin, are generally necessary to control rare, serious anaphylactic shock. Many doctors now insist that patients stay in the office at least 15 minutes after a penicillin injection is given, for extreme anaphylactic reactions occur quite suddenly. Skin tests sometimes give helpful clues to sensitivity, as do previous mild allergic reactions or a personal history of allergy.

None of these methods is infallible, but a fundamental way of preventing unnecessary reactions is *not* to give an antibiotic needlessly and uselessly. Certainly, there was some lavish and needless use of antibiotics when these drugs were newcomers, and their benefits and limitations had to be learned by actual use—not in a few patients, but in millions. They were sometimes given for ordinary colds, and some people think they're still just the thing for a case of sniffles. To take an antibiotic for a common cold (if that's all you have) is like wheeling up a 16-inch cannon to drive a tack in a fence post that isn't there. No antibiotic has any effect on small viruses presumed to cause colds and common mild respiratory infections.

Perhaps you remember a scare story regarding chloromycetin that swept the country a couple of years ago. This valuable antibiotic was charged with causing blood dyscrasias (grave anemias). A Food and Drug Administration survey of 500-odd cases turned up only 55 in which chloromycetin was the only drug taken, and there was no actual proof that the drug actually caused the reactions, but it was recommended that "chloromycetin not be used indiscriminately or for minor infections."

The follow-up is interesting, because at any time you may read a brand-new scare story about some quite different antibiotic or any other drug. If alarmed patients or their families refuse a drug that a doctor knows is needed, serious illnesses are going to be prolonged and lives are going to be lost. Last June, a second F.D.A. survey of 1,448 blood dyscrasia cases was reported. Many patients were treated with several drugs, confusing the picture. But a large number had taken only one drug throughout their illness. In several cases, chloromycetin was the only drug used, but there was only one case in which the entire course of the drug had been taken after the original warnings about *indiscriminate* use had been sounded. This lone patient was a self-doser—a dentist who had taken chloromycetin on his own initiative, for a condition in which the drug was probably of no value.

Moreover, this latest survey found a number of other drugs—some of the most widely used, most valuable, lifesaving drugs we have—that were similarly associated with rare blood disorders. These included aureomycin, terramycin, anti-histamines, barbiturates (sleeping-pill drugs), sulfa drugs, salicylates, and other coal-tar products for relieving pain and fever. The F.D.A. report emphasizes that it cannot be stated that chloromycetin or many of the other drugs discussed actually *caused* the blood difficulties that occasionally developed following their use.

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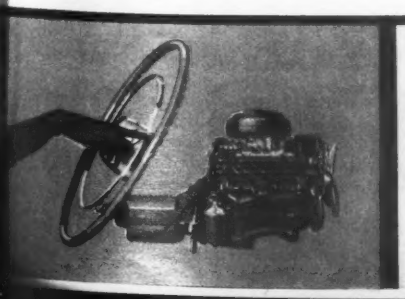

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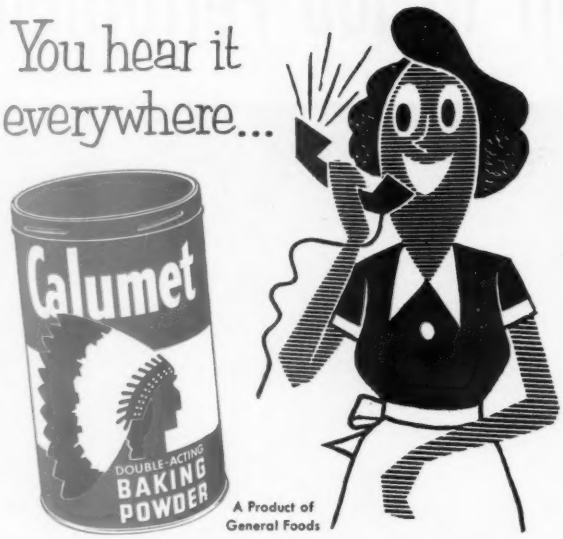

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Use screen as a decorative room divider

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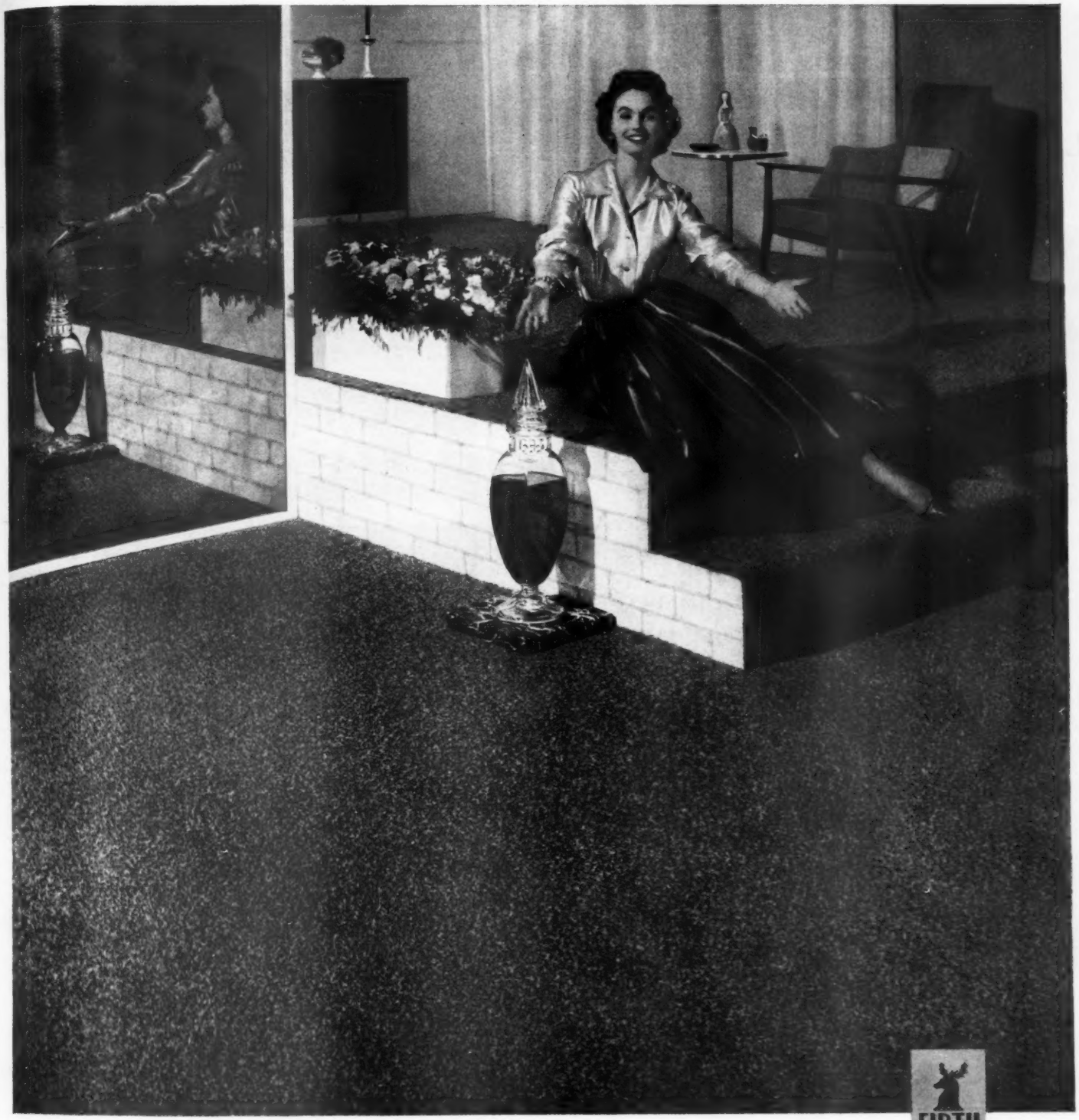

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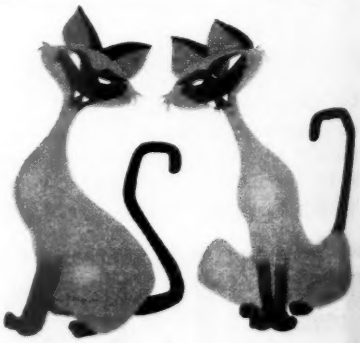

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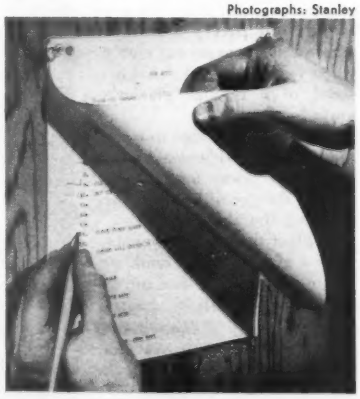

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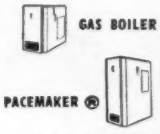

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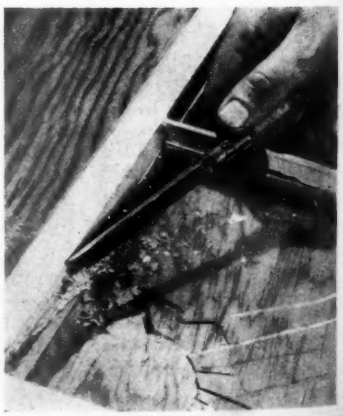

Hardened putty around a window sash comes out easily when you use an old chisel instead of a regular glazier's knife to remove it.

Chisel's sharp edge digs into putty's hardened surface, chipping it away and lessening the danger of breaking or cracking the glass.

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Edward Porter
Rochester, New York

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How-to for the handyman

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Wood will not split and splinter when you run screws into it if you bore pilot holes for the screws first.

For small screws in soft woods, use brad awl, as pictured. For tough materials, hand or push drill does quick job. Screw bits drill hole and countersink it at same time.

Ed North
Atlanta, Georgia

A handy square for short boards is end of backsaw—used in miter-box setup. Position stiffened spine of the saw against the working—or trued—face of the lumber.

End of blade guides pencil for the cutoff point.

Alan McFarlane
Aberdeen, South Dakota

Does ink smear final drawings of your project by running underneath angles, rulers, and T-square? It won't if you edge them with strips of masking tape.

Tape raises edges enough—without losing accuracy—to keep ink from flowing on plastic and wood surfaces.

Eugene Lee
Sacramento, California

Pilot hole you make with a small drill guides larger one through tough materials—makes entire drilling operation much, much easier.

It is most helpful when you're drilling angles in extremely hard woods or metal, and assures you of more accurate job. Even pressure on drill prevents binding.

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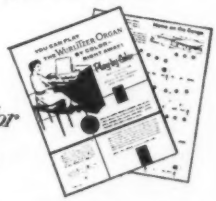

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Typical of the 20's, this house was small and inconvenient, but sound in joist and timber. Remodeling—outside and in—brought it up to date, gave it all the advantages of modern home design. The whole exciting story is told in a free illustrated book filled with decorating ideas you can use in your present home.

You can still enjoy all the spaciousness and convenience of America's new way of living, even though you have an older house that's cramped and out of date. Look at the magical transformation made in this typical house of the early 20's—and take courage! The floor plan was opened up to give it the roominess that marks the modern home. From there on, Armstrong decorators took over, creating dozens of exciting ideas to make the house both attractive and easy to care for.

Choosing the right materials can make all the difference in adding modern beauty and easy care to an old home. That's why Armstrong Linoleum was such an ideal choice. It's modern because it offers such a wide selection of designs, colors, and textures to help you bring

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The old partition walls are gone, and a modernized wood-grain styling in Armstrong Linoleum unites the modern open-planned living area.

Strikingly handsome for the living area, Armstrong Linoleum is also practical for the kitchen. It's greaseproof, easy to clean, comfortable underfoot—and surprisingly moderate in cost. Available in many striking designs and colors.

Upstairs, an awkward closet is removed. Two bedrooms and the den-guestroom are color-related with Armstrong Spatter® Linoleum—Style No. 5017.

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To see how the master bedroom in this house moved to the basement, turn the page.

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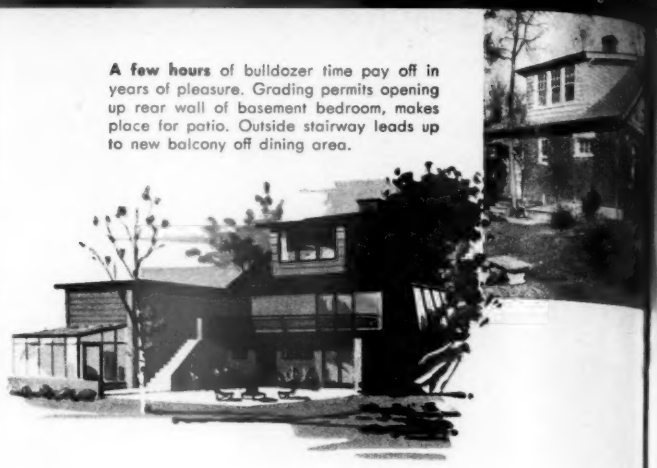
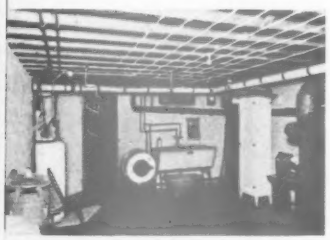
LOOK WHAT MODERN IDEAS CAN DO (continued)

The master bedroom moves to the basement

Here's a space that couldn't have been used this way when the house was built. But today with a good-looking floor of Armstrong Asphalt Tile, an ordinary basement becomes just as handsome as any other room in the house. That's because this material isn't harmed by the alkaline moisture normally found in basement concrete floors. Easy to clean, low in cost, Armstrong Asphalt Tile is available in a wide range of smart decorator colors at your flooring dealer.



A few hours of bulldozer time pay off in years of pleasure. Grading permits opening up rear wall of basement bedroom, makes place for patio. Outside stairway leads up to new balcony off dining area.



Space and opportunity are waiting in most old basements like this. Now, a useful new room is possible with the durable floor of Armstrong Asphalt Tile. This floor is one of the striking new Woodtone designs, Style No. C-971.

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Set the stage *for furnishings with . . .*

Paint

For a unified look, consider adjoining rooms and areas when you select your background colors and patterns.

Here, the living-room wall color blends with the draperies for a subdued background—the better to complement the two adjoining wallpaper patterns in entry and hall.

Windows

It's best to treat your windows in keeping with the character of your rooms' furnishings.

The shelves for the display of glass collection here add a comfortable Traditional feeling and are an effective accent when seen against the room's plain background.

Wallpaper

Three rooms are tied together by the proper use of coordinated materials.

Floral design on different backgrounds is used for entry and stairway hall. The dark-background floral in a matching fabric covers living-room chairs. The new related materials make decorating easy.

Floors

Plain floor covering is more effective when there's lots of pattern used elsewhere in the room.

Note how the plain carpeting becomes the finishing touch to well-planned backgrounds and furniture groupings in this area of the Russell Lund home, Edina, Minnesota.

Photographs: Reynolds, Photography, Inc. Decorator: Lucille Smith, Inc.

By Florence Byerly

THE background of a room is just a six-sided box, with a top (ceiling), a bottom (floor), and four sides. Then, of course, there are usually some odd jogs, windows, and doors cutting into the sides. Here, and on the following four pages, are some ideas to help you make the most of the almost unlimited selection of materials available to the do-it-yourself decorator today that will show off your furnishings to better advantage ➡

Set the stage for furnishings

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Photographed by Howland at Bloomingdale's, New York

You can use paint to accent architectural features

Two colors, yellow and green, are used to decorating advantage. Sloping ceiling in both areas is green. The walls, even the small triangular section between the two areas, are yellow. Green is used again on cabinets and the screen that joins the hutch to divide areas. The Clyde Hagerman home, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan

Andrew Wallace Foto

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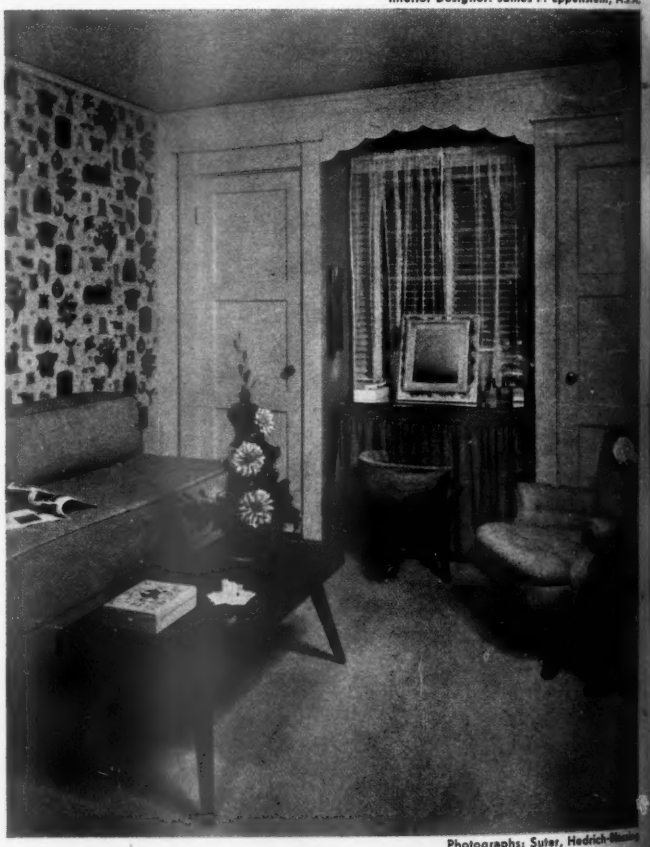
Carry period decorating to the backgrounds, too

A room with Provincial furnishings deserves a background that expresses that decorating period. Look for wallpapers with over-all patterns, like this—the better to show off the interesting designs of your furnishings, and to help you get the mellow look you're after. The paper's colors are picked up for curtain and wood trim

Interior Designer: James F. Eppenstein, A.I.A.



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Wallpaper sets the scheme

Conversation-starting wallpaper is used on only one wall. It becomes the focal point and sets the colors for the rest of the room's scheme. Note how closely the painted walls match the background aqua of the wallpaper. From Mrs. Virginia Halle's home, in Highland Park, Illinois

More background ideas on page 54

Architect: Wolfgang Hoyt

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Set the stage for furnishings

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Decorator: Marion Heuer, A.I.D.

How to use pattern on big windows

Before you buy, take some of the fabric and hold it in folds as it will hang at your windows. Some fabrics look fine when spread out, but lose their glamour when folded across window. Here, with a bold pattern, rest of background is kept plain

Decorator: Nancy Chase

Sheers give a soft, luxurious effect

Pink gauze curtains match the wall color—a space-making trick in a small bedroom. The carpeting color illustrates the interesting decorating results you can get by trying something different. From the Arthur Rogers home, in Far Rockaway, Long Island

Decorator: Marion Heuer, A.I.D.

Wallpapers help you furnish a room

Fools the eye, doesn't it? This handsome wall covering adds a feeling of depth to this dining room. If you use a mural-type paper, keep the rest of the room's background simple, so the mural will not be "fighting" for attention. The earth tone of the carpet is an ideal choice here. From the Harvey Block home, Glencoe, Illinois

Decorator: Lubliner & Himmel

Decorator: Knoll of Marion Heuer Interiors

Your floor covering can set the color scheme

The large color area in a room can be the floor covering. The unusual window treatment adds a note of surprise. If draperies in this room were plain, a patterned floor covering could be effective. The David Wanger, Jr., home, Highland Park, Illinois

Cafe curtains solve problems

Consider the versatile cafe curtain to solve your window-treatment problem. For a street- or neighbor-side bedroom, they're an ideal solution. Make your own, and get effects like this. You'll also find many cafe-curtain and bedspread ensembles in ready-mades

What's your problem? Visit one of the Home Planning Centers operated in cooperation with Better Homes & Gardens. Centers listed page 170

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Redwood beams project every 12 feet, and supporting posts occur at same module. Note how top line of far windows continues full across house, even to carport

How to stretch space in a small house

By Helen Stark

FROM one of the country's most progressive design groups comes this surprising development house—a new concept in small-space planning . . . in orderly and costsaving construction . . . in crisp, simple detailing for a total beauty that's complete and exciting. Given just 1,200 square feet, The Architects Collaborative stretched it to the limits by opening the walls to the New England countryside and by grouping living and dining and work areas to share space

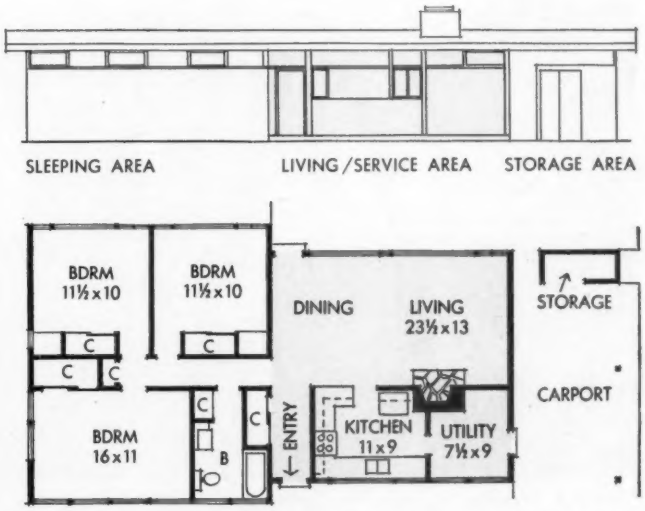
Photographs: Suter, Hedrich-Blessing

Beams span 32 feet and through glass walls . . . glass itself is greatest space booster . . . terrace joins indoor living area . . . view is clear to the ceiling. Each bay is 12 feet wide, and each is an orderly unit in the make-up of the house

Stand anywhere in the living center of the house . . . and the striking feature is *color*. Color to make you feel better—for warmth, friendliness, and light. Color to be practical—to define areas or to create a flowing exchange of space

Three otherwise small rooms have remarkable roominess when space-glutting partitions are left out. Far wall is redwood stained a driftwood shade. Others are scratch plaster . . . here painted white, there green, here yellow

Because of its openness, the kitchen seems twice its size. Divider counter is a desk for planning or a pass-through for serving dining area. Simple, high shelves seem suspended in space, but are attached to the ceiling by slim rods



The four pictures on this page cover area in yellow on plan and drawing of front. Owner: Architect Chester Nagel, Lexington, Massachusetts

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How they're cleaning up the comic books

A new code with teeth in it, and a "czar" with full authority to enforce it, point to a big campaign to clean up the comic books

Charles F. Murphy, 44, former New York City magistrate, is shown with his family as he receives news of his appointment as comic book "czar," with full power to enforce the new comic-book code. Murphy says, "If I can satisfy my conscience, I'll know I'm doing my job. It's up to the public to serve as a 'panel jury' and decide whether or not I can win their vote of confidence."

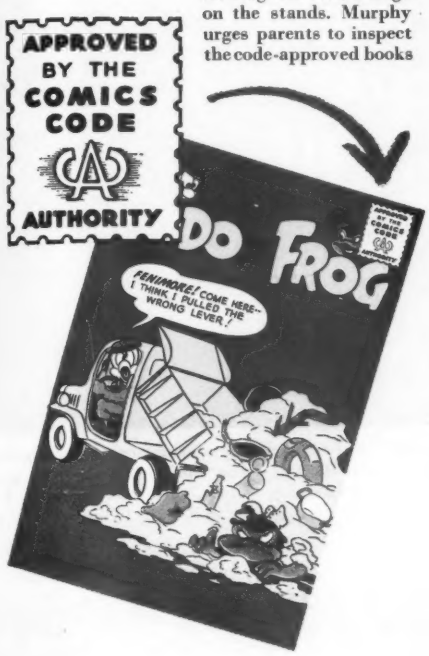
By Mort Weisinger

During the course of this month, some 50 million moppets and teen-agers will plunk down one or more dimes of their pin money for brightly colored comic books, ranging in name from *Action Comics* to *Ziggy Pig*. Some anxious parents concerned with the reading habits of their children will note that something new has been added to the familiar gaudy product. That "something new" is a rectangular, black-and-white seal imprinted conspicuously in the upper right-hand corner of each magazine's cover. Almost twice the size of a postage stamp, the seal bears six reassuring words: APPROVED BY THE COMICS CODE AUTHORITY.

This seal is another and the latest answer to the comic-book industry's bitterest critics. During the next 30 days, as millions of comic books introducing this seal flood the magazine racks of candy stores, supermarkets, and pharmacies throughout the country, the public will be informed that the seal is the symbol of the industry's new policy of stern self-censorship.

Just how much faith can you have in this seal? Is it a bona-fide guarantee of wholesome, healthy entertainment for youngsters? Or is it a phony frill calculated to take the comic-book publishers out of the public doghouse? And just what is this "Comics Code Authority"? Is it headed by a man of integrity, qualified and empowered to police the reading medium most popular with our nation's young minds?

This month, comic books bearing this seal will go on the stands. Murphy urges parents to inspect the code-approved books



Or is he a hired stooge for the multimillion-dollar comic-book industry, letting the publishers use his seal of approval as a shield against the slings and arrows of public opinion?

Comics' "new look"

These are the questions cynical mothers and fathers will be asking themselves the next time Junior abandons playground or playroom for the picture-print adventures of *Congo Bill*, *Plastic Man*, or *Wonder Woman*. To bring you the answers, *Better Homes & Gardens* assigned this writer to investigate the facts behind the comic-industry's "new look." Because it is a conceded fact that kids and comic books are virtually inseparable, this report will be of vital interest to every parent.

Comic-book houses are on the hot seat today as the result of conscienceless editing by a minority of unethical publishers within their ranks. While the field is vastly dominated by the so-called "good" comics —sports, adventure, Western, science fiction, and animal stories—it is because of the past activities of the lunatic fringe that the entire industry has been smeared.

When private citizens inspected the contents of the horror-type comics published by this mercenary minority, they were shocked to find such themes as cannibalism, torture, and grave robbing. Public indignation reached such heights that in many communities the [*Turn to page 254*

Rejected **Accepted**

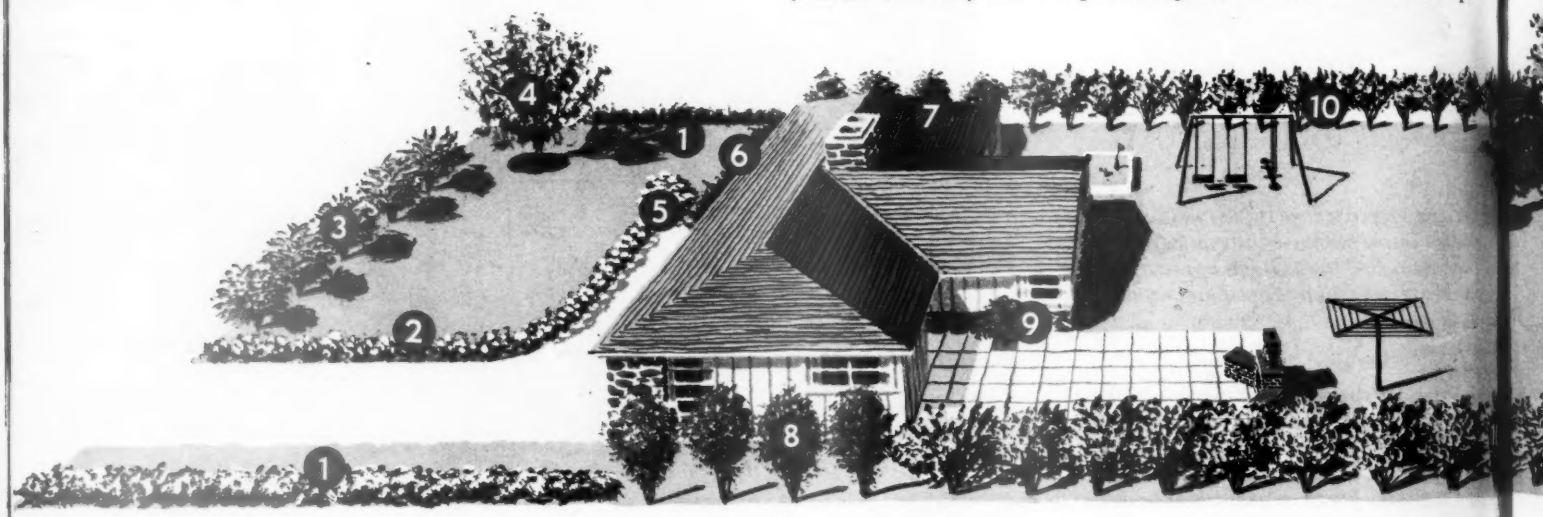
Ridicule of boy wearing glasses

Emphasis on violence and death

Suggestive drawing questioned

Hardy, flowering shrubs are a good buy

Early display at low cost. **Cheerful as spring sunshine on even the grayest days are the small golden bells of the forsythias. Spring Glory is the variety with the largest flowers, most spectacular show. Plants have practically no troubles, are easily trained to grow flat against walls even in formal fan shape**



You can find flowering shrubs suited to every spot and every need. And you can buy them in sizes your pocketbook permits, knowing that small ones quickly grow into large shrubs

1 Informal hedges—low. Floribunda roses, Potentilla, Kerria, Andromeda, Thunberg spirea, Dwarf Flowering quinces.

2 Edgings. Floribunda roses, Miniature roses, Dwarf azaleas, Red Japanese spirea, Flowering quince—Knaphill Scarlet, Rose Daphne.

3 Specimens. Pink Saucer magnolia, Star magnolia, Flowering crabapples, pink and white Flowering dogwoods, lilacs, Doublefile viburnum, deutzia hybrid—Contraste, Father Hugo's Rose, crapemyrtle (Philadelphia south), camellias (through South, along west coast) Beautybush, Flowering plums, Flowering cherries, oleanders (South and West), French pussywillow, White fringe-tree, Bush-altheas—several.

4 Early color. Azaleas, forsythias, Flowering quinces, daphnes, Bush roses—Primrose, Father Hugo's and Harison, lilacs, redbud, Flowering dogwoods, Tree-form wisterias, Flowering almonds and plums, magnolias.

5 Late color. Blue althea, Blue spirea, chaste-tree, Weigela Vandicek, Hydrangea Domotoi, callicarpa, tamarisk.

6 For shade. Snowhill hydrangea, Oregon holly-grape, Burkwood viburnum, Sweet shrub, Flowering raspberry, Shrubby Yellowroot, Golden Currant, Jetbead, Coralberry.

7 Flower-and-fruit display. Sand cherries, Highbush cranberry, Flowering quinces, crabapples, Laland firethorn (Philadelphia south), Hybrid blueberries, Mountain ash, cranberry and Meyer cotoneasters, Washington hawthorn, Golden-fruited Cranberrybush.

8 For fragrance near windows. Lilacs, Golden currant, Fragrant snowball, roses, mockoranges.

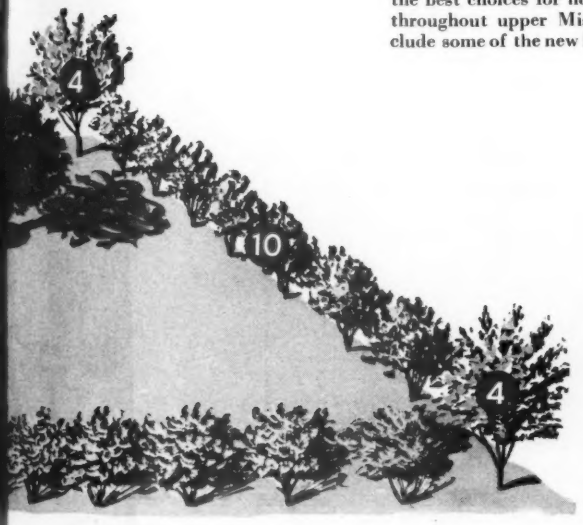
9 Background and privacy. Zabel Bush-honeysuckle, lilacs, mockoranges, rhododendrons, redhaws, beautybush, Flowering crabs.

10 Against walls. Laland firethorn, forsythias, Shrubby bush-clover.

Photographs: de Gennaro; Staby

Earliest color. Low-growing azaleas like these are for the middle Atlantic states and farther south. Flowering quinces are the best choices for northern gardens and throughout upper Mississippi Valley. Include some of the new bright pink varieties

Background and fragrance. Lilacs with their clean, sweet scent and adaptable ways are first choice where you've room for big shrubs. Their habit of leafing out early and dropping their leaves late puts them among the best for screening. Group a few whites with colors



Informal hedges—tall. By pruning, you can keep oleanders at heights you prefer. Tops are not winter-hardy north of Little Rock or Wilmington. In North, choose lilacs, smaller crabs, weigelas, bush-honeysuckles to give the same billowy outlines. If you are planting small sizes, install guard fence to protect young shrubs through their important first years

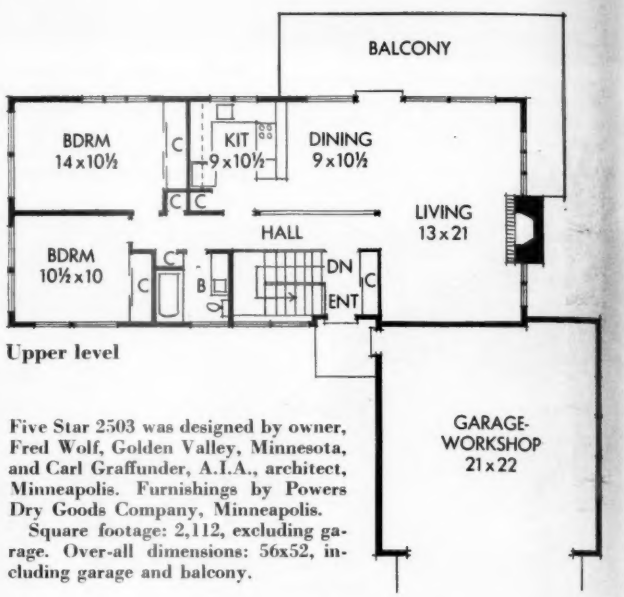
Showy specimens. Pink Saucer Magnolia seems to preen like a peacock when its great, fat buds are unfolding at tulip time. Open growth makes it a good lawn tree. More dense with bloom are the rosy crabapples and others on our list

The house of

Let the man who designed it and lives in it tell you why Five Star Home No. 2503 gives his large family big space at low cost, two levels for active and quiet zones . . . a wonderful way of living

It's like living under a great umbrella. Planked ceiling (which we put up ourselves) slopes off the 4x14-inch center beam. Roman-brick fireplace is 12 feet high. We laid the cork-tile floor assisted by the kids who fed us tile from an assembly line

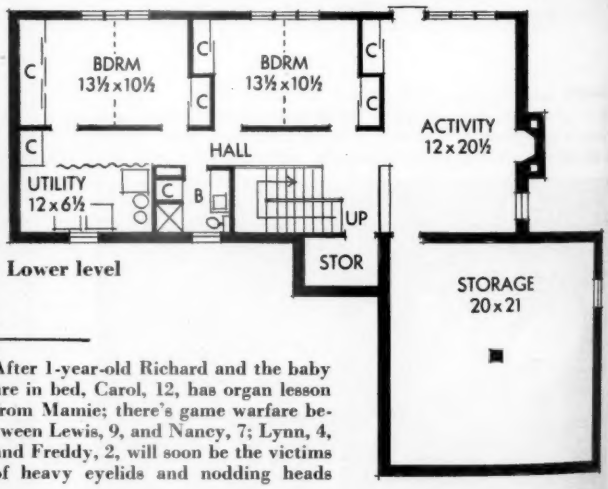
Interior openness, high ceiling, and glass give us unbounded view and space. By proper orientation (helped by extra insulation in the ceiling and around the perimeter of the lower floor), the sun heats this level from 9 a.m. to sundown in winter



Upper level

Five Star 2503 was designed by owner, Fred Wolf, Golden Valley, Minnesota, and Carl Graffunder, A.I.A., architect, Minneapolis. Furnishings by Powers Dry Goods Company, Minneapolis.

Square footage: 2,112, excluding garage. Over-all dimensions: 56x52, including garage and balcony.



Lower level

After 1-year-old Richard and the baby are in bed, Carol, 12, has organ lesson from Mamie; there's game warfare between Lewis, 9, and Nancy, 7; Lynn, 4, and Freddy, 2, will soon be the victims of heavy eyelids and nodding heads

★★★ You can buy plans for this or any other *Better Homes & Gardens* Five Star home ®

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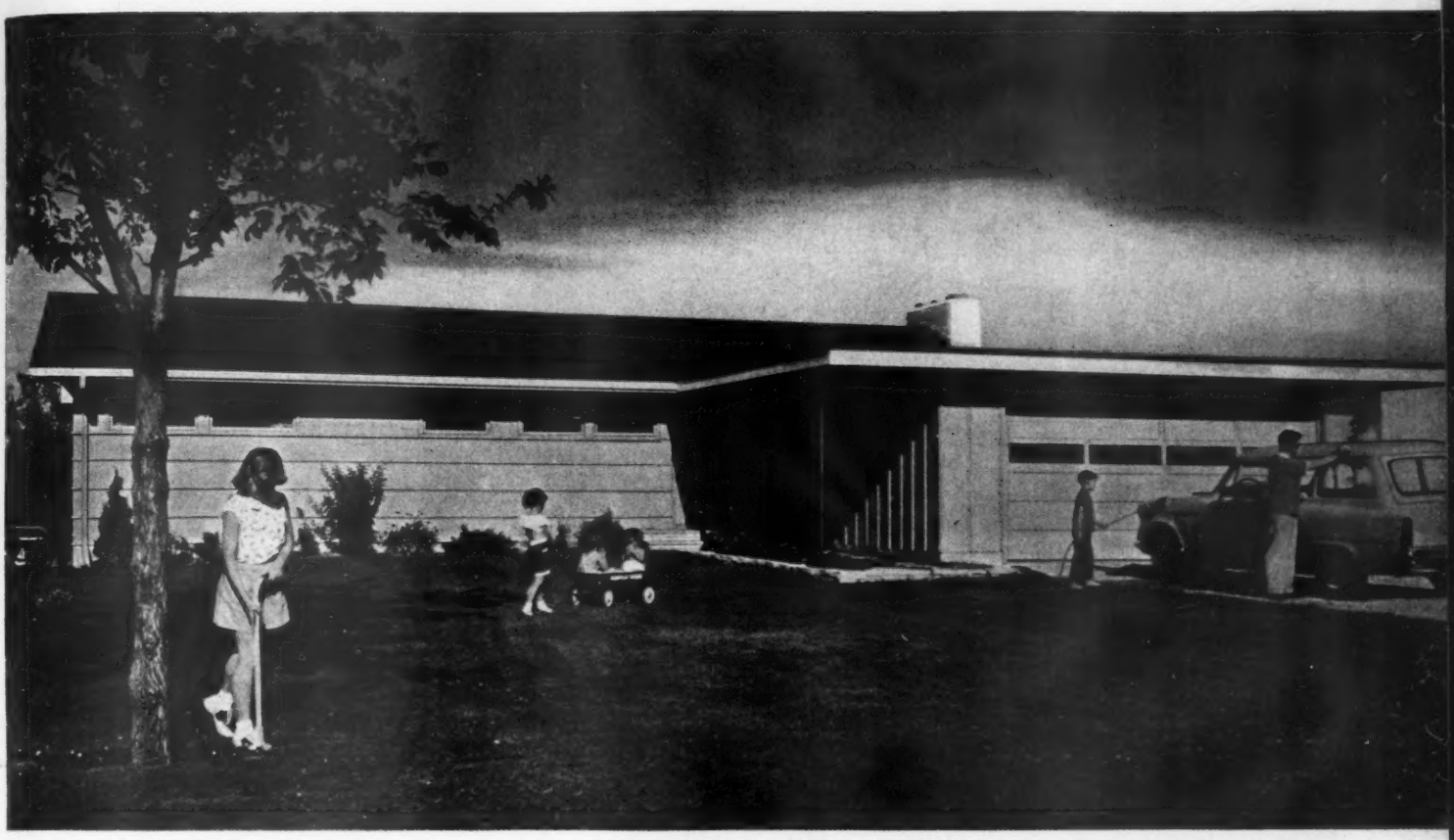
seven children... and tranquil parents



Streetside gives no hint of the surprising space under the low-gable roof. We did much of the work of building our house, and we painted it inside and out

Photographs: Reynolds, Photography, Inc.

By Fred Wolf

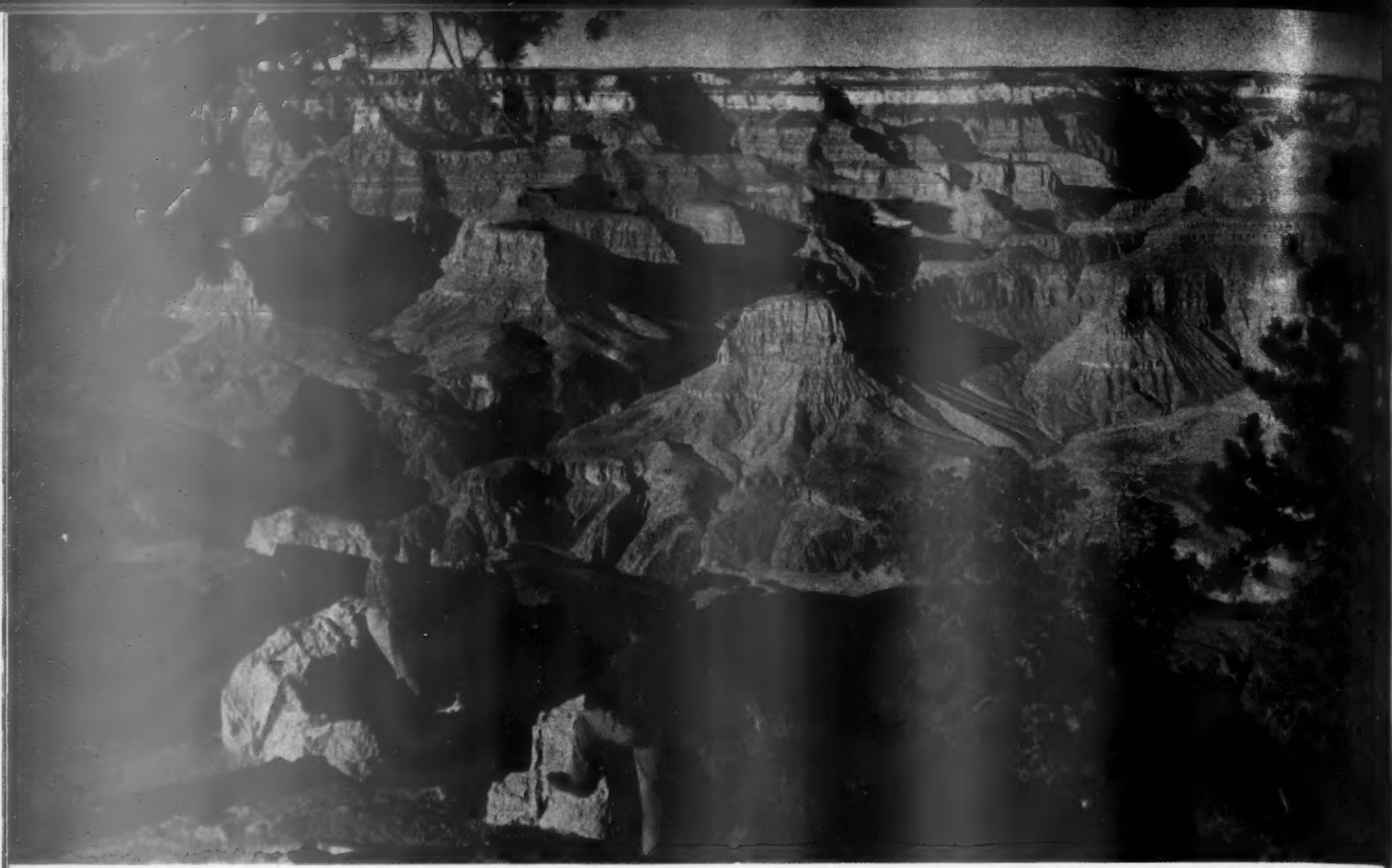
A big family and a small amount of building money. That's the story behind our house . . . Five Star Home No. 2503.

If there are ways to get more house than you have money for, believe me, we used them all. We had to, because the Fred Wolfs number nine (Mamie, myself, and seven children). So our house had to be big. And it is . . . a total of 2,112 square feet. But we wanted something more than four walls and a roof. We're like lots of other families with a taste for mink and a budget for rabbit.

We knew we had to maintain our large house without employing outside help. Nor could we allow costs for heating or construction to get out of hand. And it also had to express some vague future needs . . . when the children are grown and gone.

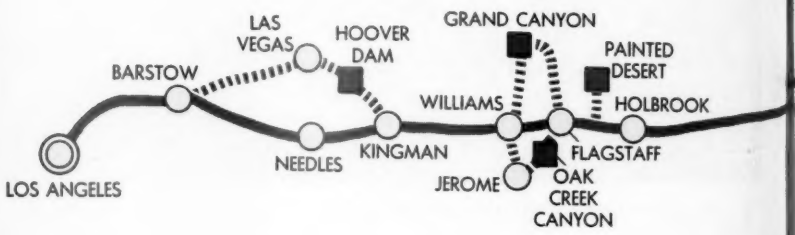
The answer was a two-level house . . . like one house stacked on top of another. The perimeter of the house itself is as modest as many bungalows—48x22 feet. The lower level has all the costsaving advantages of a basement—and much more. Built into a hill, it is open at the rear for light and ventilation. [*Turn to page 198*

Like the picture on the cover, here you see the open lower level (which cost little more than an ordinary basement). Mamie and I oversee the children's play yard from the balcony which wraps 29 feet around the upper-level living room



Grand Canyon from the South Rim is one of the short side-trip spectaculars along 66. Drive to the canyon via Flagstaff and Cameron or from Williams

Santa Monica. Stay with 66 to the end; this will be your reward



Oak Creek Canyon, backdrop for Westerns, has never lost its brilliant 3-D color

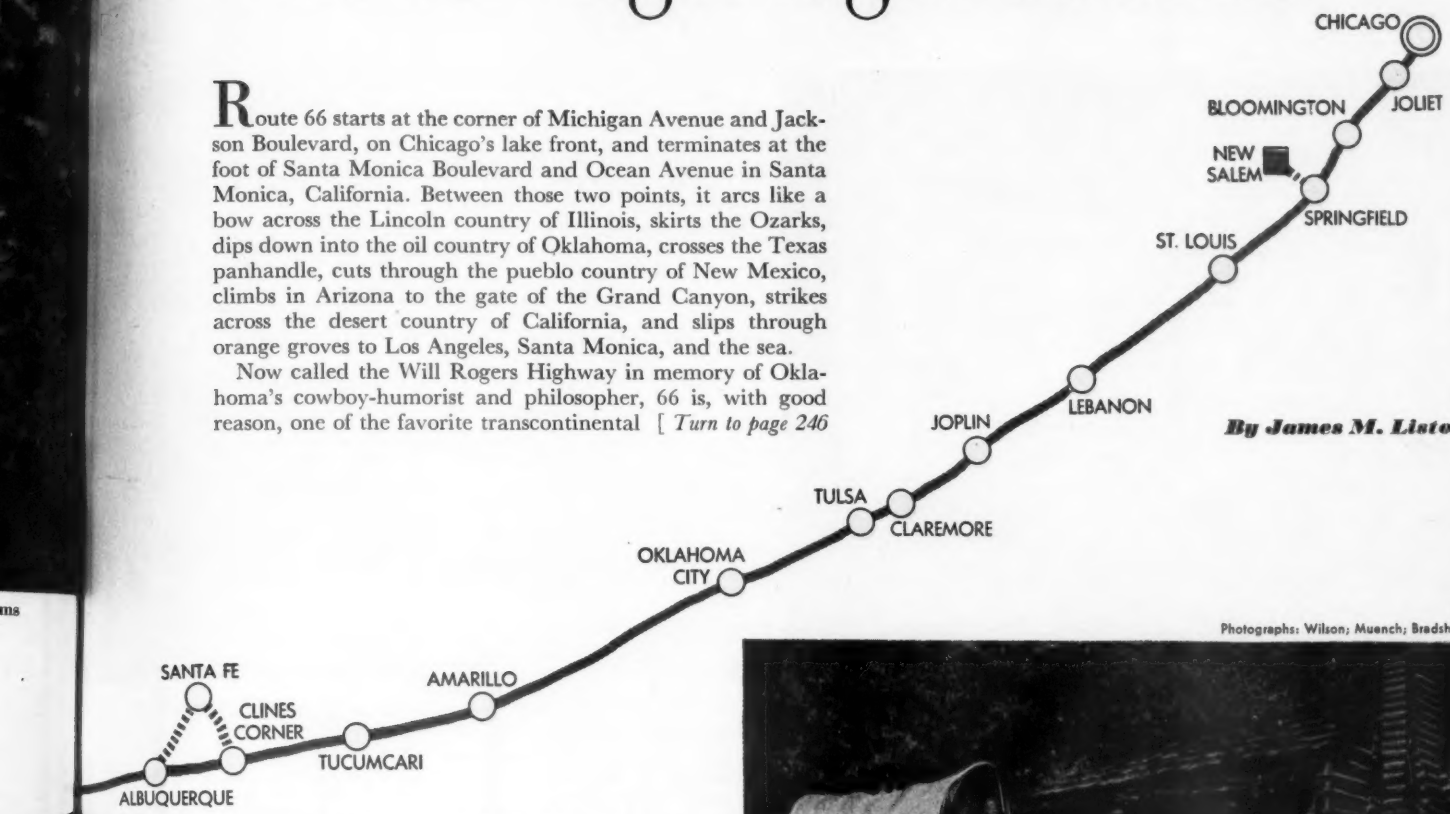
Jerome, Arizona, recently deserted, is ghostly even at high noon

U. S. 66—big swing to the coast

Route 66 starts at the corner of Michigan Avenue and Jackson Boulevard, on Chicago's lake front, and terminates at the foot of Santa Monica Boulevard and Ocean Avenue in Santa Monica, California. Between those two points, it arcs like a bow across the Lincoln country of Illinois, skirts the Ozarks, dips down into the oil country of Oklahoma, crosses the Texas panhandle, cuts through the pueblo country of New Mexico, climbs in Arizona to the gate of the Grand Canyon, strikes across the desert country of California, and slips through orange groves to Los Angeles, Santa Monica, and the sea.

Now called the Will Rogers Highway in memory of Oklahoma's cowboy-humorist and philosopher, 66 is, with good reason, one of the favorite transcontinental [*Turn to page 246*

By James M. Liston



The Will Rogers Highway, often called "the Main Street of America," is a fast, all-weather route stretching from the shores of Lake Michigan in Chicago to the Pacific at Los Angeles.

Whether you drive the entire 2,200 miles, or only sections of it, you'll want to work this famous route into your future travel plans. A few suggested side trips are indicated on the map.

Photographs: Wilson; Muench; Bradshaw

New Salem, Illinois. Here, Lincoln failed as a businessman, met Ann Rutledge

Claremore, Oklahoma. Memorial honors cowboy philosopher

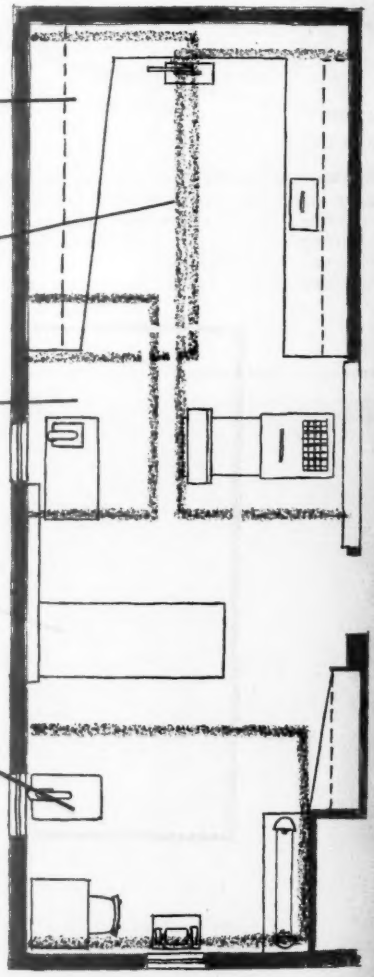
St. Louis, Missouri, boasts one of best zoos in the country in famous Forest Park

This shop gets the job done

Lumber storage is on racks up over the radial-arm saw, with all stock piled for removal edgewise rather than lengthwise. Thus stock lifts down easily to the saw table. Longest stock is on top shelves, shorter pieces below them. Under the bench is room for the ever-useful scrap pile—mostly of choice cabinetwood

SOME NEW IDEAS in workshop layout and in the selection of tools give this shop a different look . . . and charge it with a workability rarely found in an amateur layout. Long and narrow, it makes use of zoned activity areas and a smooth traffic pattern —allowing the neighborliness of a couple or three handymen busy in it at one time. It was planned—and planned and *planned*— for the best use of the space. Then it was equipped with the power tools that give you the most use and the most versatility. You'll find ideas here for the *beginning* as well as the *ultimate* in a shop.

All work surfaces in the shop are the same height—so that each becomes an auxiliary for others. For example, plywood sheet rests on workbench in background as it starts through saw, then on lumber-rack table in foreground as it nears end of cut. Unique feature: Table saw *plus* radial-arm saw gives shop greater versatility than one saw plus other power tools that would have less total usefulness



BLUE AREA. Finishing, paint storage, and initial assembly go on in this isolated corner. Tool is a belt sander.

ORANGE AREA. Lumber is stored here, where initial dimensioning begins, close to radial-arm and table saws.

RED AREA. Metal vise on end of the tapered bench is close to drill press, with metal tools racked on wall above it.

YELLOW AREA. Main working area includes workbench, table saw, jointer, drill press, and band saw. These are most-used tools in shop.

GREEN AREA. Smallest section of shop is devoted to planning corner and handling of small items carried to the band saw, lathe, grinder.

Maximum possible amount of area at working height gives room for assembly, finishing, and stock handling without the need for working uncomfortably on the floor when projects become too big or too numerous. The walls are a light-reflecting yellow above, a dirt-resisting gray from work-surface level down

Photographs: Reynolds, Photography, Inc.; Stanley

You can buy plans for this workbench—No. 105

A shop in itself, workbench has heavy top, 10 drawers, shelf and cabinet space. Construction is all plywood. You can build it quickly, easily, ruggedly. Ask for Handy Plan No. 105 at hardware or lumber dealers—or send 50 cents to Room 8503, *Better Homes & Gardens*, 1716 Locust Street, Des Moines 3, Iowa

Wall storage cabinet has sliding doors covering shelves where you store all paint and finishing materials, plus open shelf for materials in use. "Dead" storage lands on top of cabinet. Bench below is tapered, giving useful depth at one end, yet occupying minimum floor space in shop's center traffic area

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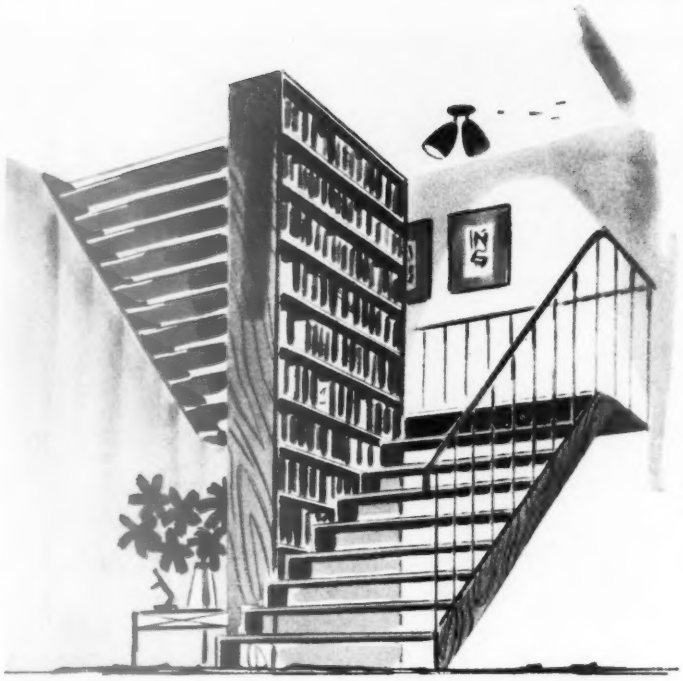
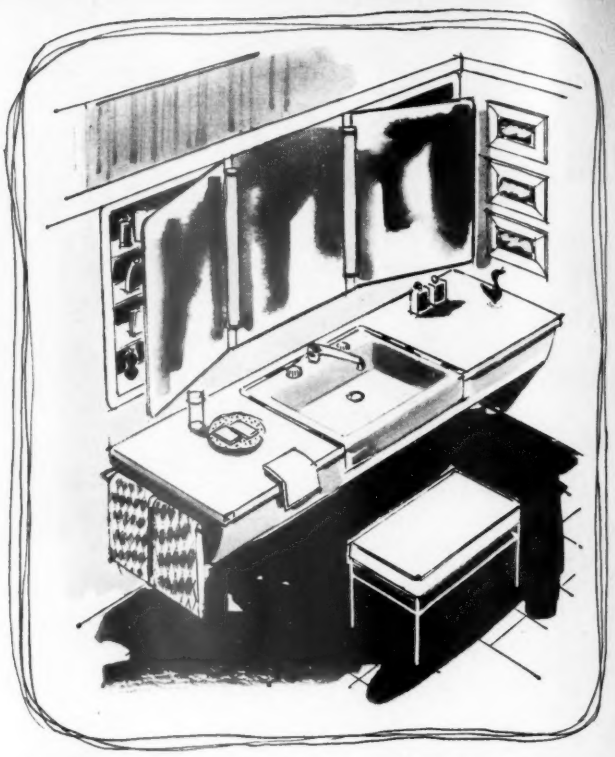
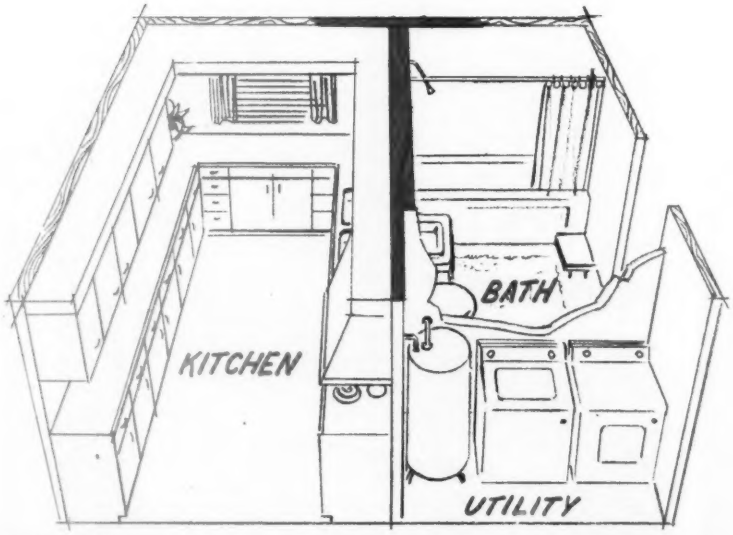


Staircase with shelves to store a large library of books is from a design by Humphrey and Hardenbergh, Inc., architects of Minneapolis. Unit would be especially useful in open-plan interiors where wall space is minimum and where stairs should continue the feeling of openness. Shelves help support stairs, are accessible from either side



A pair of standard medicine cabinets and two fluorescent-light units are combined with a mirror panel by Designer Rodney Walker of Los Angeles. Unit provides an attractive and efficient center for shaving or make-up. Doors hinged on center mirror form an adjustable, three-panel looking glass

ARCHITECTS' SKETCHBOOK

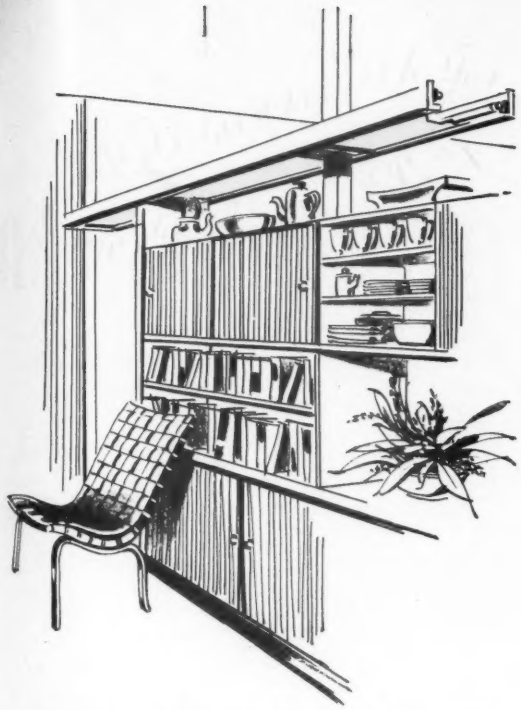


A "utility core" by William Rowe Smith, Salt Lake City, groups bathroom, water heater, laundry, and sink wall of kitchen. Besides economy in plumbing, space needs are minimized. The bathroom can be in middle of house if it has mechanical ventilation and artificial light, or a skylight or clerestory window. Utility area has folding door

STRAIGHT FROM THE EXPERTS come these spacesavers, worksavers, costsavers—the small details and professional touches that reflect the efficiency of a house, usually far more than its size or age.

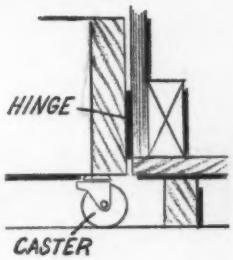
Our purpose in presenting this new feature is simple. We believe there's a big need today for such an idea exchange—and too few real experts available to dispense their knowledge face to face, door to door. We want this "architects' sketchbook" to do something big about it.

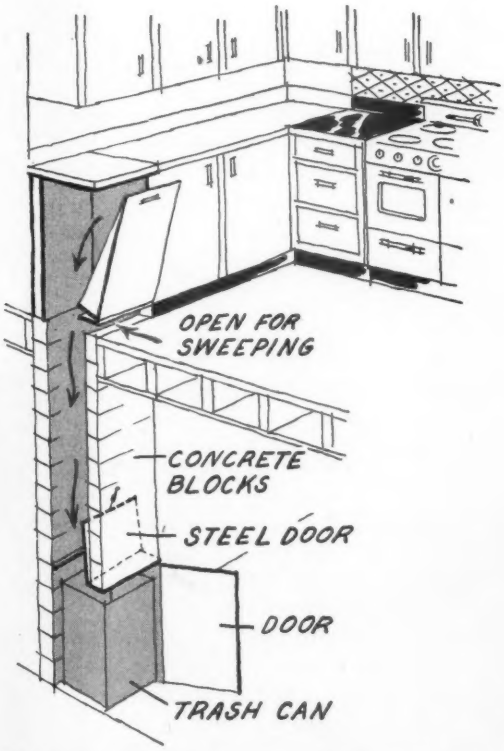
We will pay designers for rough sketches of ideas like those shown here. Give sizes, materials, other data for accurate details. Address: Architects' Sketchbook, Better Homes & Gardens, Des Moines 3, Iowa.



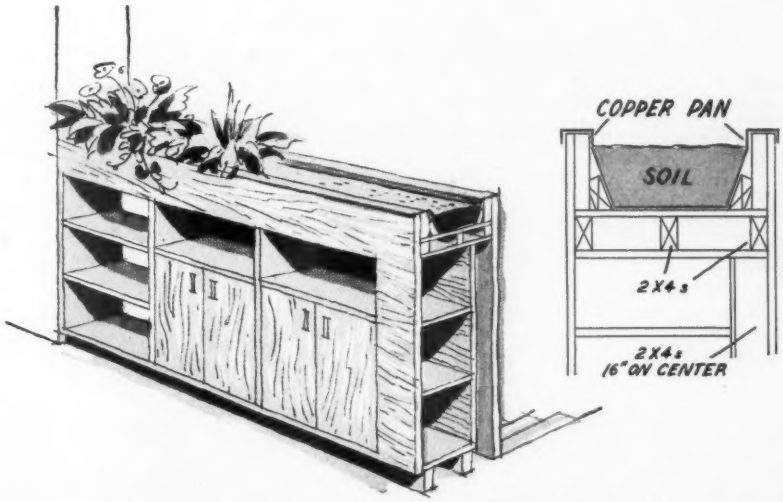
A luminous shelf to light a room divider, storage wall, or pass-through was developed by Rodney Walker. Unit is a simple wooden box with translucent glass bottom, holds fluorescent or incandescent bulbs. Shelf is attached to walls, columns, or to room divider

Practical built-in bed by Carl Koch, Cambridge, Massachusetts, has headboard with shelves at sides, two center compartments for bedding. Drop-leaf doors form night tables; front slopes to form a back rest. Frames swing apart to make beds



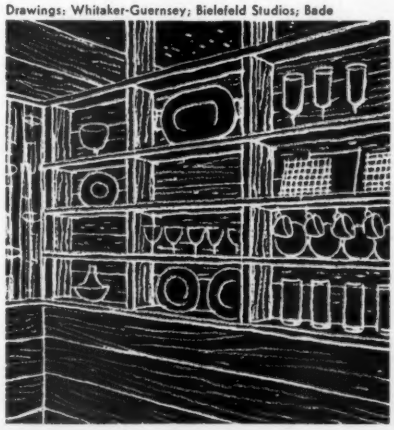


A "sweeping slot" and trash chute by E. H. and M. K. Hunter, Hanover, New Hampshire, doesn't neglect fire protection. Cabinet is lined with asbestos-cement board; concrete block has fireproof plaster coat. Fusible link holds steel door



Room divider with built-in planter by Carl Koch also has variety of cabinets and shelves. Planter is fitted with a copper-lined pan. Unit is strengthened with horizontal and vertical 2x4s to support weight of soil

Drawings: Whitaker-Guernsey; Bielefeld Studios; Bade



Shelves between open studs are economical idea of Architects Bassetti & Morse, Seattle. Wall surfacing is run to wainscot height of interior wall, and remainder of height is fitted with shelves

Your first try at this can produce a plan to suit your whole family

Here's how to plan y

Measurements. Let the one who gets this idea first grab the family yardstick, folding rule, or tape from Mom's sewing kit. Get accurate footage down on a rough sketch, particularly between sides of the house and lot lines. We're certain you are in for surprises

Enlist the whole family once you have your measurements on paper. You'll want trees, of course. Make them to scale of what they'll reach in 3 years. Drinking straws, wallpaper, and cotton prints on stiff paper make fine trees when slipped over long pins

Tryout tests. Here's where this way of planning your lot really pays off. Will there be room to step from both car doors onto paving when you bring home guests or groceries? A generous car length for off-street parking outside your garage when doors are closed?

By Fleeta Brownell Woodroffe

See it first. Get your trees where you want them. Know that your place will look its best from the street—that there'll be places for the whole family to play and work. Let everyone have his say and take a hand in the planning.

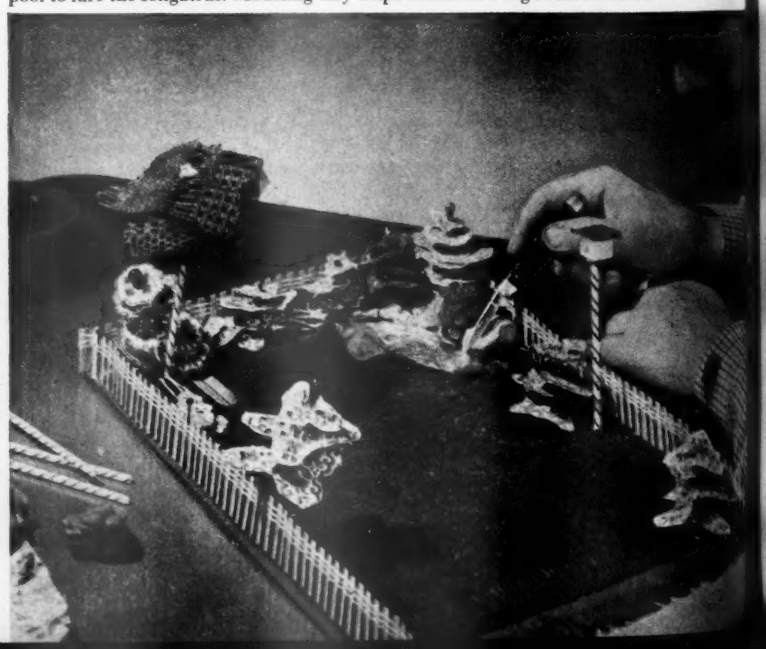
Here's fun that really saves fretting later. And no box tops to save. No dimes to send. Just raid Dad's workbench for sandpaper, gather up scraps—bits of Susie's floweriest dresses, a piece of Junior's oldest jacket, some flannel or Turkish toweling, a big piece of corrugated cardboard—and you're almost ready.

This is fun, and also the biggest laborsaver yet dreamed up. Compare planting and digging out again just one tree with shifting it on your model! This way, you can try out several complete lot plans in an hour. You can start your spring planting knowing your plan is the best anyone can devise for your lot.

Household items useful in modelmaking

Grass:	towels, felt, corduroy, velveteen, rug scraps
Trees:	drinking straws on hat or corsage pins for bodies
Shrubs:	yarn, carpet samples, sock tops, wallpaper, cotton
Paving:	sandpaper, felt, window screen, emery paper
Vines:	raveled yarn and rope, button thread
Pools:	aluminum foil, mirrors, tin lids, tooth-paste tubes

What you really want comes most easily if planned this way. This model is for a back-yard retreat with trees for shade, shrubs for color, a tiny pool to lure the songbirds. Modeling clay helps decide how big rocks should be



n your lot

DREAMS come to life when you see how much you can have. This model done at 1 inch to 5 feet represents a lot 60x125 feet.

There's an open rear lawn for the children's play, and it's close under Mother's watchful eyes. Semi-dwarf apple trees across the back and dwarf cherries border it.

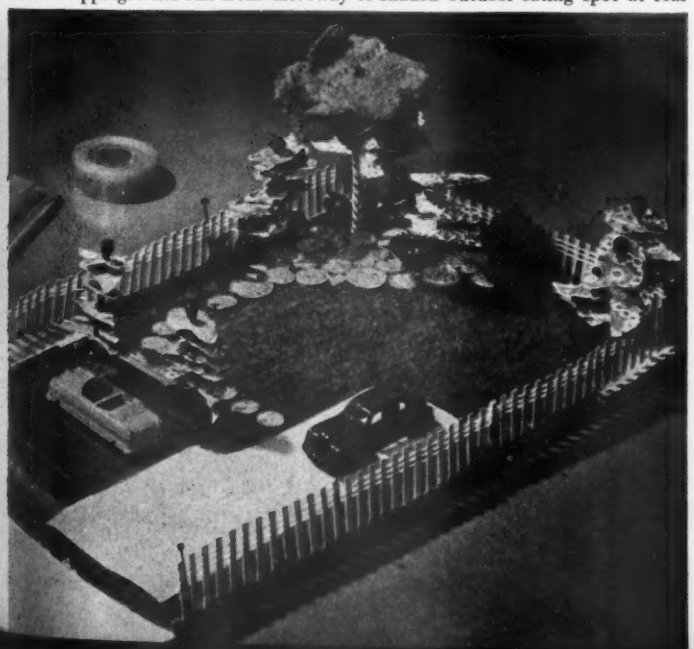
There's a small salad garden right out in full sun, and a long bed for roses. The big tree supplies a background for the house when viewed from the street, and also shade on summer afternoons for the roomy flagged terrace.

Tall shrubs opposite windows give privacy. Lines of lower ones along lot lines prevent traffic across the lawn.

Floribunda roses line the front walk to extend a cheery welcome.

Photographs: Hopkins

Service is packed into lot of same 60-foot width in this next model with garage at back of house and a Y-turn for two cars. Dog run is between garage and side fence. Steppingstones run from driveway to shaded outdoor eating spot at rear



Picture from the street. If your front door is centered, here's how to achieve individuality. Large tree gives desirable feeling of setback. Shrub planting rims lawn with lazy curves, leaves grass easy to mow

Good eating, and fresh as spring!

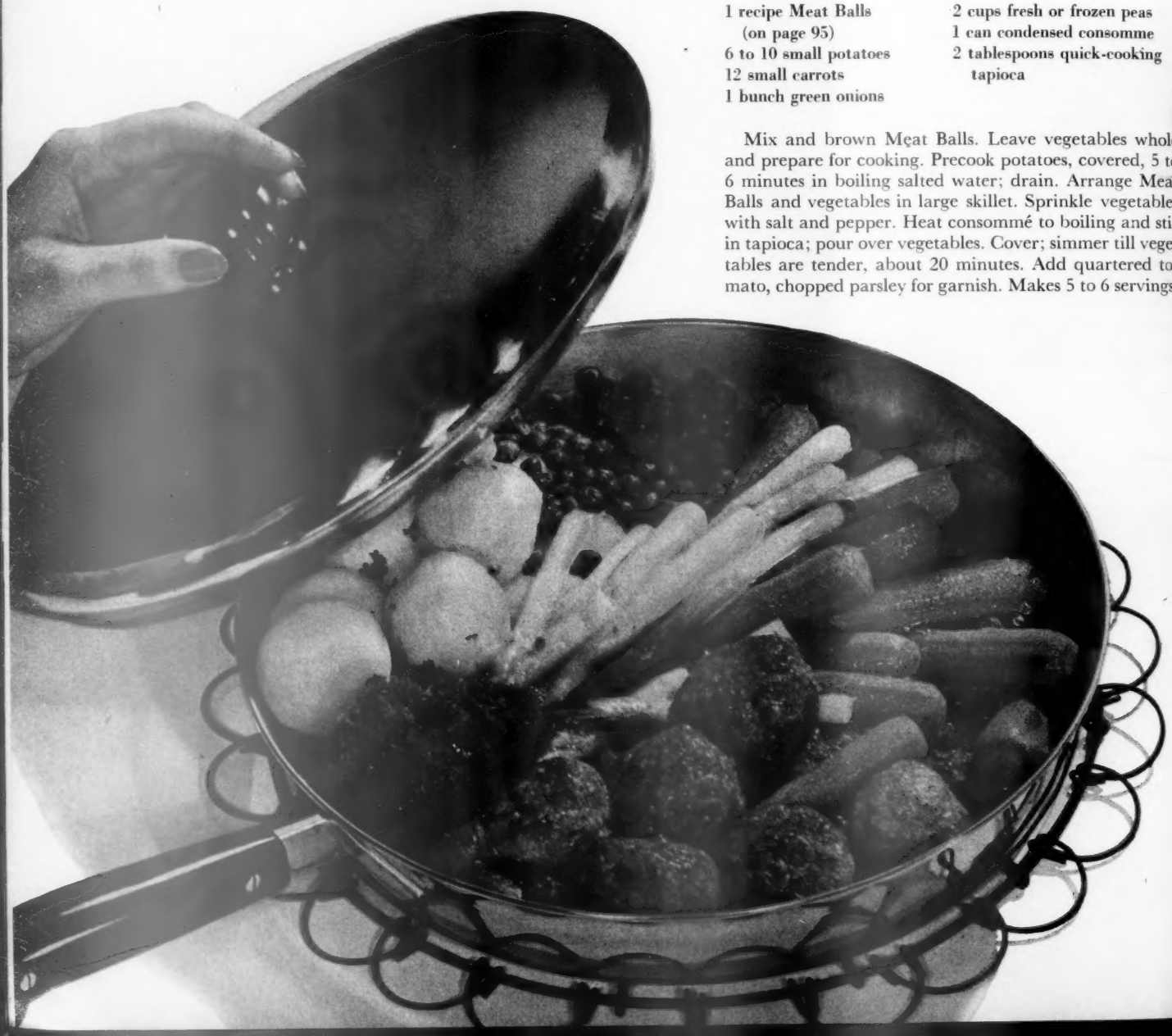
COME WITH US for 6 pages of March inspiration—a spring-foods debut for your table. The recipes are extra special—that's why they share top billing with the pictures. Give these ideas a whirl. They're full of happy surprises to chase that old rascal, meal monotony

By Myrna Johnston

Off with the lid–on with Garden Skillet Supper!

1 recipe Meat Balls (on page 95)
6 to 10 small potatoes
12 small carrots
1 bunch green onions
2 cups fresh or frozen peas
1 can condensed consomme
2 tablespoons quick-cooking tapioca

Mix and brown Meat Balls. Leave vegetables whole and prepare for cooking. Precook potatoes, covered, 5 to 6 minutes in boiling salted water; drain. Arrange Meat Balls and vegetables in large skillet. Sprinkle vegetables with salt and pepper. Heat consommé to boiling and stir in tapioca; pour over vegetables. Cover; simmer till vegetables are tender, about 20 minutes. Add quartered tomato, chopped parsley for garnish. Makes 5 to 6 servings.



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Help yourself to a hot Cheese-puff Sandwich

6 slices bread
6 slices process American cheese
Hot cooked asparagus
3 egg yolks
¼ cup salad dressing
¼ teaspoon salt
Dash pepper
3 stiff-beaten egg whites

Toast bread on one side. Place slice of cheese on untoasted side; broil to partially melt cheese. Place 3 or 4 spears of hot cooked asparagus on top of each. Beat egg yolks till thick and lemon-colored; stir in salad dressing, salt, and pepper. Fold in egg whites. Pile mixture on top of asparagus. Bake in moderate oven (350°) 13 minutes, or till egg mixture is set. Makes 6 servings.

Three spring-sandwich fillings: (1) Ground ham, pickle relish, chopped celery and hard-cooked egg, mayonnaise. **(2)** Tuna, crab, or lobster with chopped celery, mayonnaise. **(3)** Cream cheese, minced green pepper and onion.

For more delectable treats, turn page

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Fun with Eastertime breads

Hopping Bunnies

1 package active dry yeast
or
1 cake compressed yeast
¼ cup water
1 cup milk, scalded
⅓ cup sugar
½ cup shortening
1 teaspoon salt
5 to 5½ cups sifted enriched flour
2 beaten eggs
¼ cup orange juice
2 tablespoons grated orange peel

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1 recipe Sugar Glaze, page 93

Soften active dry yeast in *warm* water or compressed yeast in *lukewarm* water. Combine milk, sugar, shortening, and salt. Cool till lukewarm; stir in about 2 cups of the flour and beat well. Add eggs; mix well. Stir in softened yeast. Add orange juice and peel and remainder of flour to make a soft dough. Cover; let rest 10 minutes. Knead dough 5 to 10 minutes on lightly floured surface till smooth and elastic. Place in lightly greased bowl, turning once to grease surface. Cover; let rise in warm place till double (about 2 hours). Punch down; cover and let rest 10 minutes. Shape in bunnies (see directions at left). Cover and let rise in warm place till light and nearly double, 45 to 60 minutes. Bake in moderate oven (375°) 12 to 15 minutes. Frost while warm with Sugar Glaze. Makes about 2½ dozen.

To shape Hopping Bunnies

On lightly floured surface, roll dough in rectangle ½ inch thick. Cut dough in strips about ½ inch wide and roll between hands to smooth. Directions continue on page 93; also Easter Braid recipe on that page.

Candy-confetti Torte to dazzle your guests

Almond-brittle Topping

- 1½ cups sugar
- ¼ teaspoon instant coffee
- ¼ cup light corn syrup
- ¼ cup hot water
- 1 tablespoon *sifted* soda

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- 2 cups heavy cream
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 2 teaspoons vanilla
- Almonds, blanched, halved, and toasted

While cake bakes (see torte recipe, page 95), fix the candy-brittle part of topping: In saucepan, combine 1½ cups sugar, the coffee, corn syrup, and water; stir well. Cook to hard-crack stage (290°). Remove from heat and immediately add the soda. Stir vigorously, *but only till mixture blends and pulls away from sides of pan.* Then quickly pour *foamy* mixture into ungreased shallow metal pan (9 inches square). Do not spread or stir; let stand till cool. Knock out of pan; with rolling pin, crush candy into coarse crumbs between layers of waxed paper. When cake is thoroughly cool, whip cream and fold in sugar and vanilla. Spread half of cream between layers and remainder over top and sides. Cover top and sides with the candy crumbs; trim with almond halves, inserted in porcupine style.

Recipe on page 95

More spring wonders, next page

That's luscious Peaches-'n-Cream Pie coming your way

1 No. 2½ can (3½ cups) sliced peaches or peach halves
1 3-ounce package lemon-flavored gelatin
½ cup cold water
1 pint vanilla ice cream
⅛ teaspoon almond extract
1 9-inch baked pie shell
1 cup heavy cream, whipped

Drain peaches, reserving syrup. Heat 1 cup peach syrup to boiling. Add gelatin and stir till dissolved. Add cold water. Cut ice cream in 6 pieces and add to hot liquid. Stir till melted. Add almond extract. Chill till mixture begins to thicken and mound, about 10 to 15 minutes. Reserve a few peach slices or halves for garnishing. Fold in the remaining peach slices, or chop remaining peach halves and fold in. Pour mixture into baked pie shell. Chill till firm, about 4 hours. Cover top of filling, almost to edge, with a deep layer of whipped cream. Top with blossom of peach slices or peach halves cut in half; center with fluff of whipped cream.

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Lady-fare Salad—your specialty

2 12-ounce cartons small-curd cream-style cottage cheese
4 3-ounce packages cream cheese
2 cups green grapes, halved and seeded
1 cup broken pecans
¼ cup chopped chives
2 cups heavy cream, whipped

Mash cheeses together till smooth. Add grapes, pecans, and chives. Fold in whipped cream. Put in oiled 2-quart mold; chill 4 to 6 hours. Unmold on lettuce and sprinkle with pistachio nuts, if desired. Garnish with canned or fresh fruit. (We used juicy canned pineapple slices and peeled apricots, pink-grapefruit sections, ripe strawberries.) Serve with mayonnaise. Makes 12 servings. (For family meal, make half the recipe and use 1-quart mold.)

Tricks with mayonnaise for fruit salads

- Blend 1 cup each of mayonnaise and jellied cranberry sauce. Fold in ½ cup heavy cream, whipped.
- Add pineapple juice and chopped nuts to mayonnaise.
- Combine ½ cup mayonnaise with ¼ cup honey, 1 tablespoon lemon juice, ½ teaspoon celery seed, and ¼ teaspoon paprika.

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Give your meals a spring note

Yes, we know spring's still around the corner. But that doesn't stop women from wearing pretty straw hats now—nor from putting fresh-as-daffodil touches on family and company meals.

Look across the page, and you'll see what we mean. Tiptop right, there's a delicious casserole of noodles in a tomato-y sauce, topped with perky stuffed eggs. To the left is a crunchy-crisp, colorful salad bowl that's served with a tangy dressing, guaranteed to zip up your change-of-season meals.

Centered on the page are big, puffy Popovers circling flavorful creamed ham. And at lower right is a light and airy soufflé version of the ever-popular macaroni and cheese.

In the lower left corner, you see one of the prettiest and easiest desserts you could wish for. It's lemon-frosted angel cake coated with shaggy coconut. Bouquet atop is a trio of orange sections, fresh mint.

Below are lunch and dinner specials designed to give your meals a springtime lift.

	MAIN DISH	VEGETABLE	SALAD OR ACCOMPANIMENT	DESSERT
Lucky Foursome Luncheon	Creamed Ham in Popovers* (center)	Savory Green Beans*	Perfection Salad* Extra Popovers	Lemon Coconut Delight* (lower left) Hot Tea
	Salad's a gelatin make-ahead. Fix dessert in advance, too—you start with bought angel cake, and no cooking required. Use mixer to speed up Popover batter. Place oven-hot Popovers on platter; let guests fill their own with the ham. Pass extra Popovers with butter or margarine.			
Lenten Feast	Spanish Eggs* (top right)	Broccoli with Almond-butter Sauce	Tossed Green Salad Peppy Dressing* Bread Sticks	Baked Prune Whip* Custard Sauce* Hot Tea
	For the dessert, cook prunes or use the handy canned ones. Fix custard early; chill. Also get hard-cooked eggs ready for main dish. Spanish Eggs and prune whip bake at same time. Almond-butter Sauce: Brown slivered almonds in butter or margarine; add lemon juice to taste.			
Family Treat	Macaroni-and-cheese Souffle* (lower right)	Springtime Peas*	Lettuce Wedges with Shake-up Dressing* Crusty French Bread	Cherry-Nut Pudding* Hot Coffee
	Beaten eggs add a new fluffiness to old teammates in the main dish. This and the dessert conveniently share the same oven. The salad dressing is simple, speedy—you'll like this new type. It resembles old-time cooked dressing, but all you do is put ingredients in jar; cover, shake.			
It's Hearty and Good	Quick Sauerbraten*	Potato Pancakes* Hot Red Cabbage*	Fresh Chilled Relishes Dark Rye Slices	Lemon Cheese Pie* Hot Coffee
	Sauerbraten's made in hours' less time with this new quick method. The dessert is fixed in a breeze with packaged pudding mix and a graham-cracker crust. Make it well in advance. Potato Pancakes are well worth the effort when served with sauerbraten. Try rye bread heated.			
March Barbecue	Barbecued Lamb Steaks*	Oven-fried Potato Crisps*	Western Salad Bowl* Blue-cheese French Dressing* Hot Dinner Rolls	Coconut Pineapple Bars* a la Mode
	You'll like the barbecue sauce for the lamb steaks. You can mix it any time, and store it—ready for barbecuing any of your favorite meats. Needs no advance cooking, keeps well. Cookies for dessert are baked with meat and potato crisps. Dress up cookies with ice cream.			

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For your flowering branches and lush, big blossoms, these simple containers are complementary. They are available in a wide range of clear, muted colors. Place the flowers on a needlepoint holder in a shallow bowl for floating effect

Here's how to

Match flowers and containers

Flowers are on their way! Short and long stems, with delicate or heavy blooms. Here are some suggestions to help you find the right bowl for the various flowers you choose in your arrangements

By Fae Huttenlocher

Long, weak stems of carnations can be effectively arranged on needlepoint holder in a low, jewel-glass, giant ashtray. The 8″ turquoise vase is ideal for roses, snapdragons, and cosmos. For vines and flowering branches, you'll find inexpensive, ruby-glass bottle most accommodating.

With a mixed bouquet of garden flowers having medium-length stems, you'll enjoy the artist's choice of a ruby-glass water pitcher.

For long-stemmed flowers, branches, or greens, the tall, rectangular pillow vase is ideal. It comes in three heights, 12″, 9″, and 6″. For dinner-table arrangements, the low, rectangular bowl is a pleasing basic shape. Button zinnias and marigolds fit well into the 6″-high pitcher.

All these inexpensive bowls are available in flower-complementing colors: moonstone white, dawn rose, sandalwood, charcoal, and patina green.

EGGS GOLDENROD

Blend 1 can Campbell's Cream of Mushroom Soup with ¼ cup milk. Slice in 4 hard-cooked eggs (saving a little yolk to force through a sieve for garnish). Heat and pour over hot buttered toast. Garnish with sieved egg yolk. 4 servings.

4 LENTEN MEALS by *Campbell's*

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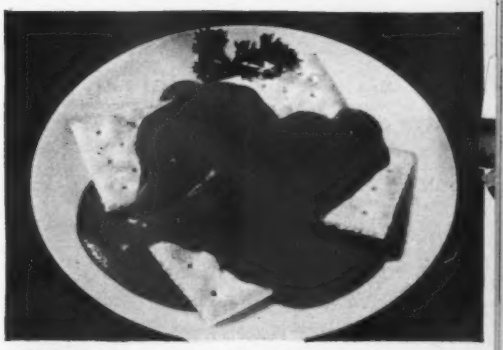

CHEESE RABBIT

Combine 1 can Campbell's Tomato (or Cream of Mushroom) Soup with ¼ cup milk and 1 cup shredded sharp process cheese. Heat, stirring constantly, until cheese is melted. Pour over crisp crackers. 4 servings.

By ANNE MARSHALL
Director, Home Economics,
Campbell Soup Company

You know it's a special problem keeping meals varied and interesting during Lent. But with Campbell's Soups at hand, you can make a different meatless dish any day of the week—easily, economically!

Eggs, cheese, fish—all of these take on delicious new flavor when you cook with Campbell's Soup. Just look at these 4 quick recipes! You can make them all with Campbell's Cream of Mushroom Soup (for now it's completely meatless), or substitute Tomato or Cream of Celery. You're bound to think of many other variations for casseroles, scallopers, pour-on sauces to satisfy your family's appetite during Lent.

PERFECT TUNA CASSEROLE

In a casserole, combine 1 can Campbell's Cream of Celery (or Cream of Mushroom) Soup, ½ cup milk, 1 cup drained flaked tuna (7-oz. can), 1 cup cooked green peas, 1 cup crushed potato chips. Garnish with chips. Bake in oven (375°), 25 minutes. 4 servings.

SHRIMP CHOWDER

Brown lightly 2 tablespoons minced onion in 1 tablespoon butter. Blend in 1 can Campbell's Cream of Mushroom Soup, 1 soup can milk, 1 cup drained cooked shrimp (5-oz. can), minced parsley, and a dash of black pepper—then heat. 4 servings.

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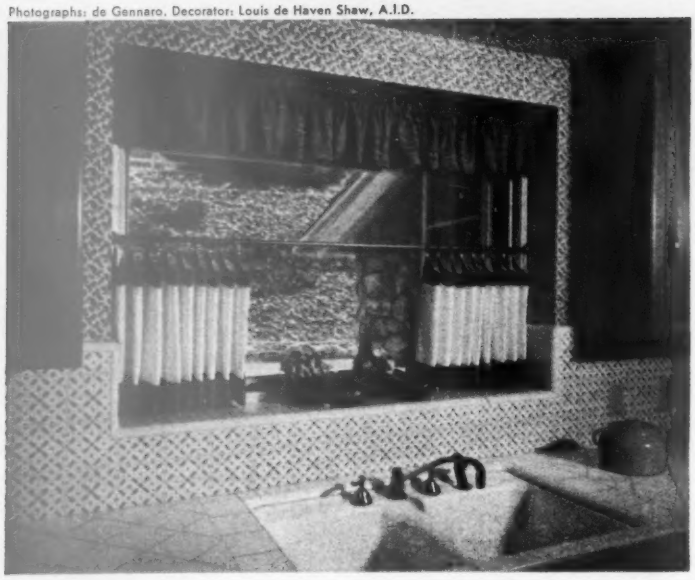

Bit of Holland in kitchen of the Ernest W. Hahns, Rolling Hills, California. Pert cafe curtains are of white butcher linen, trimmed with textured blue cotton. They're lined for added body, hang in orderly folds. Note neat window-sill hemline. Valance repeats blue

Designer: Pat Klorer

Button, button! That's what fastens the loops over the rod. The buttons are covered with fabric to match wall covering. A 3-inch band of this fabric also borders the bottom of each curtain tier. Home of Mrs. Mary Smith in West Los Angeles

New kitchen curtains spark up

Photographs: Ward. Decorators: Lubliner & Himmel. Builder: Greta Lederer

By Anne Anderson

MAKE the curtains yourself or shop for them. Interesting materials will produce handsome results. And they're a breeze to care for! New plastic, brass, and clip-on rings make it a snap to change curtains. For pinch or box pleats with a custom-made look, sew on special pleating tape. Curtains look their best when lower edge just clears window sill, hangs even with bottom of the apron, or comes to the floor. Help yourself to the ideas you see in the pictures.

Matched chintz curtains and wall covering in the Robert Brost home, Glencoe, Illinois, sport dramatic pattern in lavender blue. Door window has fabric panel tied in center with bow. Keynote of decorating is combination of strong and subtle patterns

Switch to vertical blinds. This one has cloth louvers. They come in plastic, too. A rainbow of colors, stripes, and checks to pick from! Slip the louvers off for laundering. "Verticals" are good for problem windows, like sloping ones

your windows

Photograph: Suter, Hedrich-Blessing. Decorator: Sidney Simon

Artistry in pink. The window treatment in this dinette shows interesting teaming of shutters and curtains, proves that shutters can be dainty.

These short, painted triple-deckers can be opened and closed as desired. Behind them, pink organdy cafe curtains hang from white rings and rods.

The door to the garden, at left in picture, is covered with pink and white organdy, closely gathered in neat folds.

Architect: Milton E. Staben & Associates. Builder: Ray Lantz

Rustic outlook. Stain-finished shutters adorn kitchen windows in the Frank Pilchard home, Golf, Illinois. They're a harmonious touch in this warm, all-pine kitchen.

Like privacy from outside? Just swing shutters together. Opened at top, closed at bottom, they let in light, block view into kitchen at eye level. No laundering here—vacuum cleaner will keep them dust-free.

How-to for curtains, page 136

Use your electric fryer for many jobs

Stew's the thing **on blustery days. And it's so easy with this 4-quart, automatically controlled, deep fryer-cooker. Heat ranges from simmer to 425 degrees. A guide with temperatures and cooking times is on cover for quick reference.**

Pilot light goes out when cooker is at temperature you want, lets you know when fat is hot enough for frying.

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Hot doughnuts**—sugared and sweet. Team them with mugs of steaming chocolate, and you have a treat for family and friends gathered for a TV party. Basket can lock on side, above fat when you fill it. To drain, basket may be set on inverted cover—it has large ring-type knob that makes a firm base.**

Cooker is gracefully tapered toward bottom, gives extra-big cooking surface at top, and at same time, depth and huge capacity.

The sky's the limit when you think of all the things you can do with today's electric fryers. Rely on them to pot-roast, stew, bake, keep food warm, blanch vegetables, pop corn, and steam breads and puddings. A modern fryer is so handsome that you'll want to bring it to the table for serving. Sizes vary in capacity from about 3 to 6 quarts—take your pick.

There are also handy portable fryer units for deep-well cookers—they plug right into the range.

Each of the fryers shown here has thermostatic control that acts as watchman to keep fat from overheating, so it can be re-used. Each also has a roomy frying basket, and easy-to-clean surfaces inside and out.

Check the instruction or recipe book that comes with your cooker-fryer, to see what this appliance will do for you. Put it into daily use.

By Cynthia Taylor

Corn's a-popping **in this cooking genie! This is just one of the many important jobs it does. Base, with heating unit, and cooking pan are separate—pan can be lifted to cooling rack when cooking is done; makes serving a snap. Same rack also may go into pan when braising or steaming.**

Heat-resistant glass lid lets you peek inside even when cover is on. Cooker has light indicator and heat control.

More on page 108

Icebox cake on only one hour's notice?

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QUICKIE ICEBOX CAKE

- **1 can (1 lb. 14 oz.) DEL MONTE Brand Fruit Cocktail**
- **About 24 small vanilla wafers**
- **1 envelope unflavored gelatine**
- **¼ cup cold water**
- **1 cup heavy cream**
- **2 teaspoons sugar**
- **½ teaspoon vanilla extract**

Now you needn't plan hours ahead for icebox cake! Drain fruit cocktail thoroughly, setting aside 1 cup for garnish. Fit wafers upright around inside of an ungreased 8-inch layer-cake pan, 1½ inches deep. (If wafers stick up above rim, trim them back.) Soften gelatine in the cold water, dissolve over hot water. Whip cream; add sugar, vanilla. Carefully fold in well-drained fruit, softened gelatine. Spread quickly in cake pan; lay additional wafers on top to cover, pressing down slightly. Chill. (In freezing compartment, it will be ready in about 45 min. Or chill in coldest part of refrigerator at least 1 hr.) Unmold; garnish with fruit cocktail; cut in 6 to 8 wedges.

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Herb-baked Fish

- 1 pound frozen haddock, halibut, or cod
- 1 tablespoon butter or margarine
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ½ teaspoon garlic salt
- ½ teaspoon monosodium glutamate
- ¼ teaspoon oregano
- ¼ teaspoon thyme
- Dash pepper
- 1 small bay leaf
- ½ cup thinly sliced onion, separated into rings
- ½ to ¾ cup light cream

Place frozen fish in a 10x6x1½-inch baking dish; dot with butter and sprinkle with the seasonings. Add bay leaf. Arrange onion rings over top of fish and pour cream over all. Bake uncovered in moderate oven (350°) about 40 minutes. Garnish with thin lemon slices and parsley, if desired. Makes 4 servings.

Mrs. Deane C. Beedy, Lexington, Massachusetts

Salmon Fritters

- 1¼ cups sifted enriched flour
- 1½ teaspoons baking powder
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ¼ cup yellow corn meal
- 1 slightly beaten egg
- ¾ cup milk
- 1 1-pound can (2 cups) red salmon, drained

Sift together flour, baking powder, and salt; stir in corn meal. Combine egg and milk; stir into dry ingredients till just combined. Break salmon into bite-size pieces and fold into batter. Drop by rounded tablespoons into deep hot fat (375°). Fry just until golden brown, about 4 minutes. Drain on paper towels. Serve with creamed peas. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

Mrs. M. G. Church, Provo, Utah

Creole Fillets

- 1 cup chopped onion
- 1 cup chopped green pepper
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 3 tablespoons fat, melted
- 1 No. 2½ can (3½ cups) tomatoes
- 1 or 2 bay leaves
- 1½ teaspoons salt
- Dash cayenne

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- 2 pounds frozen halibut fillets
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ¼ teaspoon pepper

Cook onion, green pepper, and garlic in hot fat till tender. Add tomatoes, bay leaf, 1½ teaspoons salt, and cayenne; simmer 30 minutes. Place frozen fish in a 11½x7½x1½-inch baking dish. Sprinkle with 1 teaspoon salt and the pepper. Pour tomato mixture over fish. Bake uncovered in moderate oven (350°) about 45 minutes, or till tender. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

Mrs. Stanley D. Deason, Jr., Warrington, Florida

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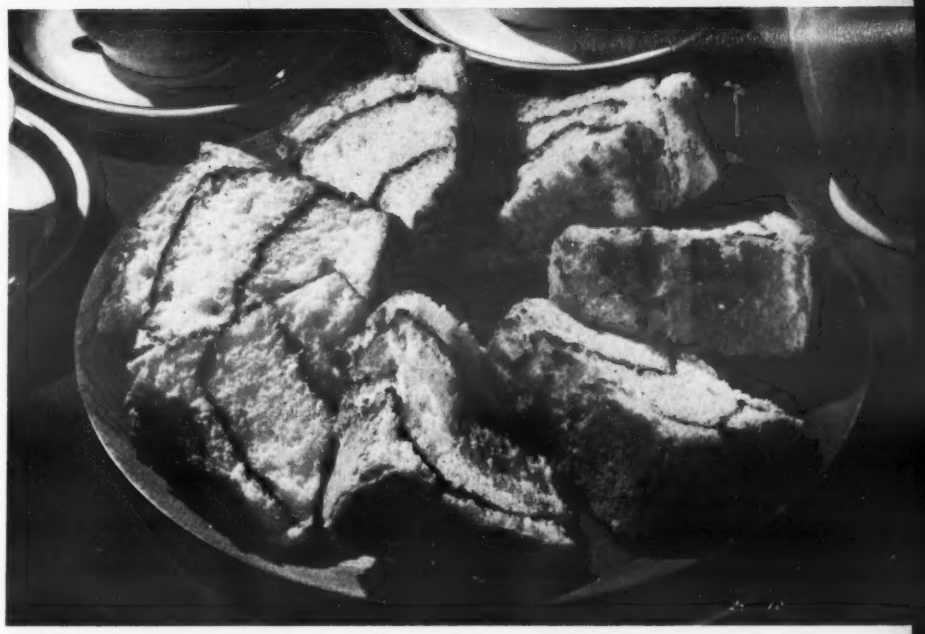

Spring cakes and fluffy frosting

Spicy Angel Cake

Ever so luscious! Get a head start with packaged mix, or add the spices and cocoa to your favorite angel-cake recipe—

- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- ¼ teaspoon cloves
- ¼ teaspoon nutmeg
- 1 package angel-cake mix

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- ¼ cup instant cocoa

Add cinnamon, cloves, and nutmeg to flour mixture of angle-cake mix; sift to blend. Prepare batter according to package directions. Pour ⅓ of the batter into ungreased 10-inch tube pan; sprinkle with half of the cocoa. Add another ⅓ of the batter and sprinkle with remaining cocoa; top with the remaining batter. Bake at temperature and time given on package; or, for speed, bake in hot oven (425°) about 25 minutes. Invert to cool.

Mrs. Elmer Bloemke, Springfield, Minnesota

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Chocolate-Nut Fluff Frosting

Cook ½ cup halved, blanched almonds in 1½ tablespoons butter or margarine till golden; cool. Melt ½ cup semisweet chocolate pieces in top of double boiler over hot water. Cool to room temperature. Fold chocolate and almonds into 1 cup heavy cream, whipped, allowing chocolate to harden in flecks. Frost angel or sponge cake.

Mrs. Marshall S. Shanks, Lodi, Wisconsin

Mocha Chiffon Cake

- 4 teaspoons instant coffee
- ¾ cup hot water
- 2¼ cups sifted cake flour
- 1½ cups sugar
- 3 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ½ cup salad oil
- 5 egg yolks
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 3 1-ounce squares semisweet chocolate, thinly shaved
- 1 cup (8) egg whites
- ½ teaspoon cream of tartar

Dissolve instant coffee in hot water; cool. Sift flour, sugar, baking powder, and salt into mixing bowl; make a well in dry ingredients. Add in order: salad oil, egg yolks, coffee, and vanilla. Beat until satin smooth. Stir in chocolate. Combine egg whites and cream of tartar in large mixing bowl. Beat till *very stiff* peaks form (stiffer than for meringue or angel cake). Fold yolk batter gradually into egg whites. Bake in ungreased 10-inch tube pan in slow oven (325°) 55 minutes, then in moderate oven (350°) 10 to 15 minutes. Invert; cool.

Mrs. N. H. Coghlin, Glendale, California

Golden Butter Sponge Cake

- 1 cup soft butter
- 1 cup sugar
- 6 egg yolks
- 2 cups sifted cake flour
- ½ teaspoon baking powder
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 6 egg whites
- ¾ cup sugar

In electric mixer, cream butter with 1 cup sugar at medium speed till very light and fluffy. Add egg yolks, one at a time, beating well after each addition. Beat until mixture is very fluffy and smooth, about 5 minutes. Sift together flour, baking powder, and salt; stir into butter mixture. Beat egg whites till frothy; add ¾ cup sugar gradually, beating until *very stiff;* fold into butter mixture. Lightly grease bottom of 10-inch tube pan; pour in batter. Bake in moderate oven (350°) 50 to 55 minutes. Invert to cool.

Mrs. Gordon J. Bergquist, Villa Park, Illinois

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Delicious fish fix-ups

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Tuna Dumplings

Add ¼ cup chopped parsley and 2 tablespoons chopped onion to 2 cups packaged biscuit mix. Stir in ⅔ cup milk. Knead 10 times on a surface that has been lightly dusted with biscuit mix. Roll into 12-inch square; cut in fourths. Place squares in individual casseroles; fill with Tuna Filling. Bring corners of dough together, pinching to seal edges. Bake in hot oven (400°) about 20 minutes. Spoon 2 tablespoons triple-use cheese spread over each dumpling. Makes 4 servings. **Tuna Filling:** Cook ½ cup chopped celery and ¼ cup chopped onion in 2 tablespoons melted butter or margarine till tender but not brown. Blend in 3 tablespoons packaged biscuit mix. Gradually stir in 1 cup milk and cook, stirring constantly till thick. Break one 6½- or 7-ounce can (1 cup) tuna in bite-size pieces and add to sauce; add 1½ teaspoons Worcestershire sauce.

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1/2 cup soft shortening
1 cup brown sugar (packed)
1/2 cup white sugar 2 eggs
1 cup undiluted Carnation Evaporated Milk
1 tsp. vanilla
2 3/4 cups sifted Gold Medal *"Kitchen-tested"* Enriched Flour
*1/2 tsp. soda *1 tsp. salt
1 cup cut-up Diamond Walnuts

Mix thoroughly shortening, sugars, eggs. Stir in Carnation Evaporated Milk, vanilla. Sift together flour, soda, salt and stir in. Blend in nuts. Chill 1 hour. Heat oven to 375° (quick moderate). Drop rounded tablespoonfuls 2" apart on greased baking sheet. Bake *about 10 minutes,* until delicately browned. While warm, frost with Burnt Butter Glaze (recipe below). Garnish with Diamond Walnut halves. Makes *about 4 dozen.*

BURNT BUTTER GLAZE . . . Heat 2 tbsp. butter until golden brown. Beat in until smooth 2 cups sifted confectioners' sugar and 1/4 cup undiluted Carnation Evaporated Milk.

Variations: 1 cup moist shredded coconut or finely cut dates or seedless raisins or 6-oz. pkg. semi-sweet chocolate pieces may be added to this recipe.

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Hints to help you

Loaf cakes. Do you make a whiz of a one-layer cake in a square or oblong pan? Maybe it's a butter- or chiffon-type cake—flavored with chocolate, fruit, or spice? Is it a special fruitcake or pound cake? Send us your new or old-time recipe with the topping or frosting you use. Ideas:

date-nut cake
applesauce cake
pound cake
burnt-sugar cake
chiffon loaf
coconut cake
chocolate loaf cake
fruitcake
feather spice cake
banana-nut loaf

Ground-beef specials. We'd like to have the recipe for your best ground-beef dish. How about beef-burgers? Do you cook, shape, season them in a special way, or do you have a supersauce? Maybe you make a delicious meat loaf or a casserole dish with noodles or rice. Look below for suggestions:

barbecued burgers
beef-stuffed green peppers
spaghetti with meat sauce
meat loaf
Spanish rice
cabbage rolls
skillet-burgers
Swedish meat balls
chili con carne
beef pie

This month's winners

(*See recipes on pages 87 and 88*)

Cook-of-the-Month

Mrs. Elmer Bloemke, Springfield, Minn.

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Contest rules

1. Write your recipe clearly on one side of the paper. Send but one recipe at a time, and mark it "October Loaf Cakes" or "October Ground-beef Specials."
2. Print your full name and address in upper right corner of paper.
3. Give measurements in *level* cups, tablespoons, teaspoons—never in heaping or scant measurements.
4. Be sure to specify in your recipe the brand names of the *nationally* known food products you use as ingredients—products available everywhere. We must know them so we can test your recipe with the same brands you use.
5. Include 50 to 100 words about the origin of the recipe you submit.
6. Recipes submitted become property of *Better Homes & Gardens*.
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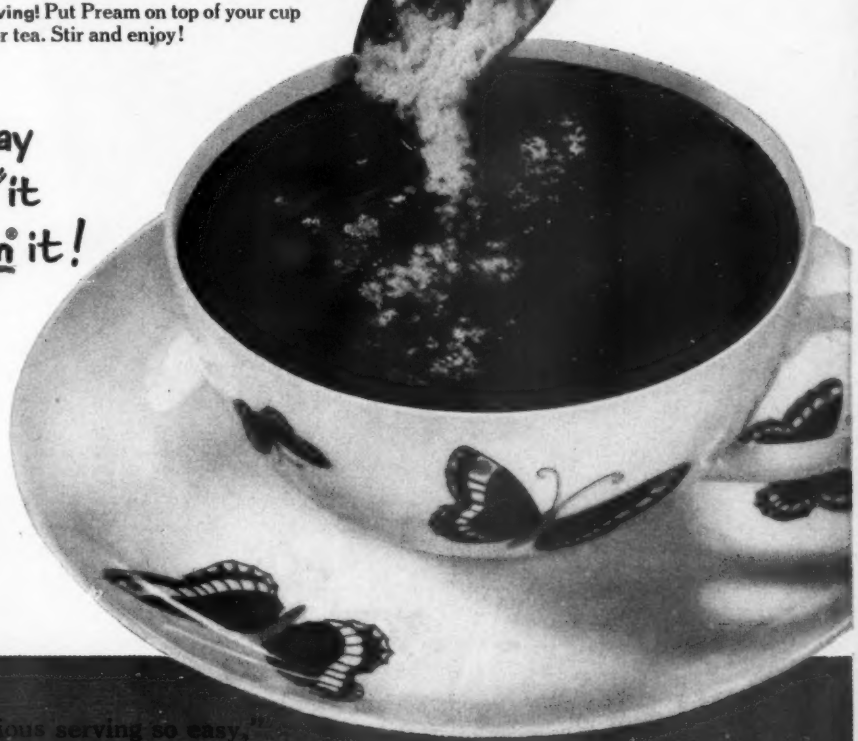

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Fun with Easter-time breads

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Easy to shape these Hopping Bunnies. Directions start on page 74

For curlicue bunnies: For each, you'll need a 10-inch strip of dough for the body and a 5-inch strip for the head. On lightly greased cooky sheet, make a loose swirl of the strip for body. Swirl strip for head and place close to body (they'll "grow" together as dough rises). For ears, pinch off 1½-inch strips and roll between hands till smooth and cigar-shaped. Let point make tip of ear; snip off opposite end and place ear next to head (see left-hand bunny in picture above for position). Pinch off a bit of dough and roll in ball for tail. Let bunnies almost double before baking.

For twist bunnies (top right, in picture above): For each, you'll need a 14-inch strip of dough. On lightly greased cooky sheet, lap one end of strip over other to form a loop; now bring end that's underneath up over top end, letting one extend to each side for ears. Pat tips of ears to shape in point. Roll small ball of dough for tail; place atop dough at bottom of loop. Let bunnies almost double before you put them in the oven.

Easter Braid

1 package active dry yeast
or
1 cake compressed yeast
¼ cup water
1 cup milk, scalded
½ cup sugar
2 teaspoons salt
½ cup softened butter, margarine, or shortening
4½ to 5 cups sifted enriched flour
2 eggs
2 teaspoons grated lemon peel
¼ teaspoon mace (optional)
1 cup dark or light raisins

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Sugar Glaze

Soften active dry yeast in *warm* water, compressed yeast in *lukewarm* water. Combine milk, sugar, salt, and butter. Cool to lukewarm. Stir in about 2 cups of the flour; add eggs and mix well. Stir in softened yeast. Add lemon peel, mace, the raisins, and remaining flour to make a soft dough. Let rest 10 minutes. Knead on lightly floured surface till smooth and elastic. Place in lightly greased bowl, turning once to grease surface. Cover and let rise in a warm place until double (about 1½ hours). Punch down; let rise till almost double (about 1 hour). Divide and round dough into 2 balls, one for each loaf. Let rest, covered, 10 minutes. For each loaf: Divide one of the balls in fourths. Shape 3 parts into strands 12 inches long, tapering ends. Line up strands 1 inch apart on lightly greased baking sheet. Braid loosely without stretching dough, beginning in middle, working toward either end. Seal ends well. Divide remaining dough in thirds. Shape in strands 8 to 9 inches long, tapering ends. Braid loosely and place atop large braid, tucking ends of small braid into large one. Cover and let rise till double. Bake in moderate oven (350°) about 25 to 30 minutes. While warm, spread with Sugar Glaze. Makes 2 loaves.

Sugar Glaze

To 2 cups sifted confectioners' sugar, add ¼ cup hot water and 1 teaspoon butter or margarine; mix till well blended. Use as is to brush over warm Hopping Bunnies, or thin with a teaspoon or so more water to drizzle over warm Easter Braid.

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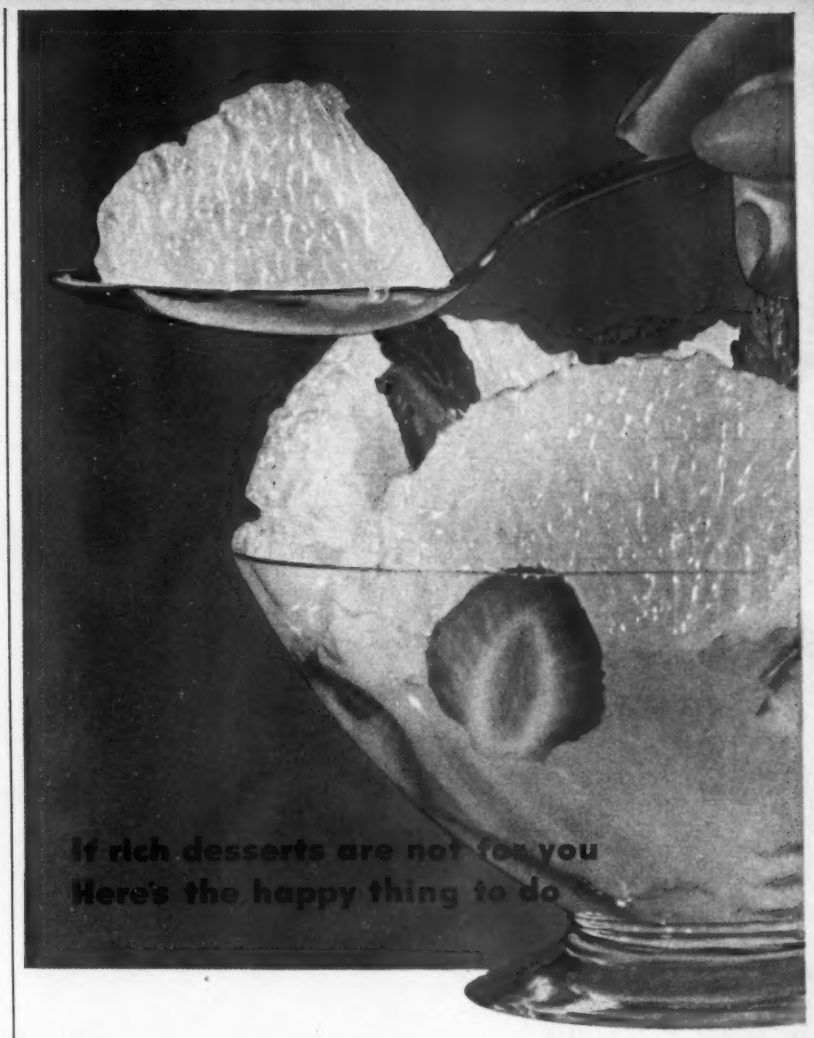

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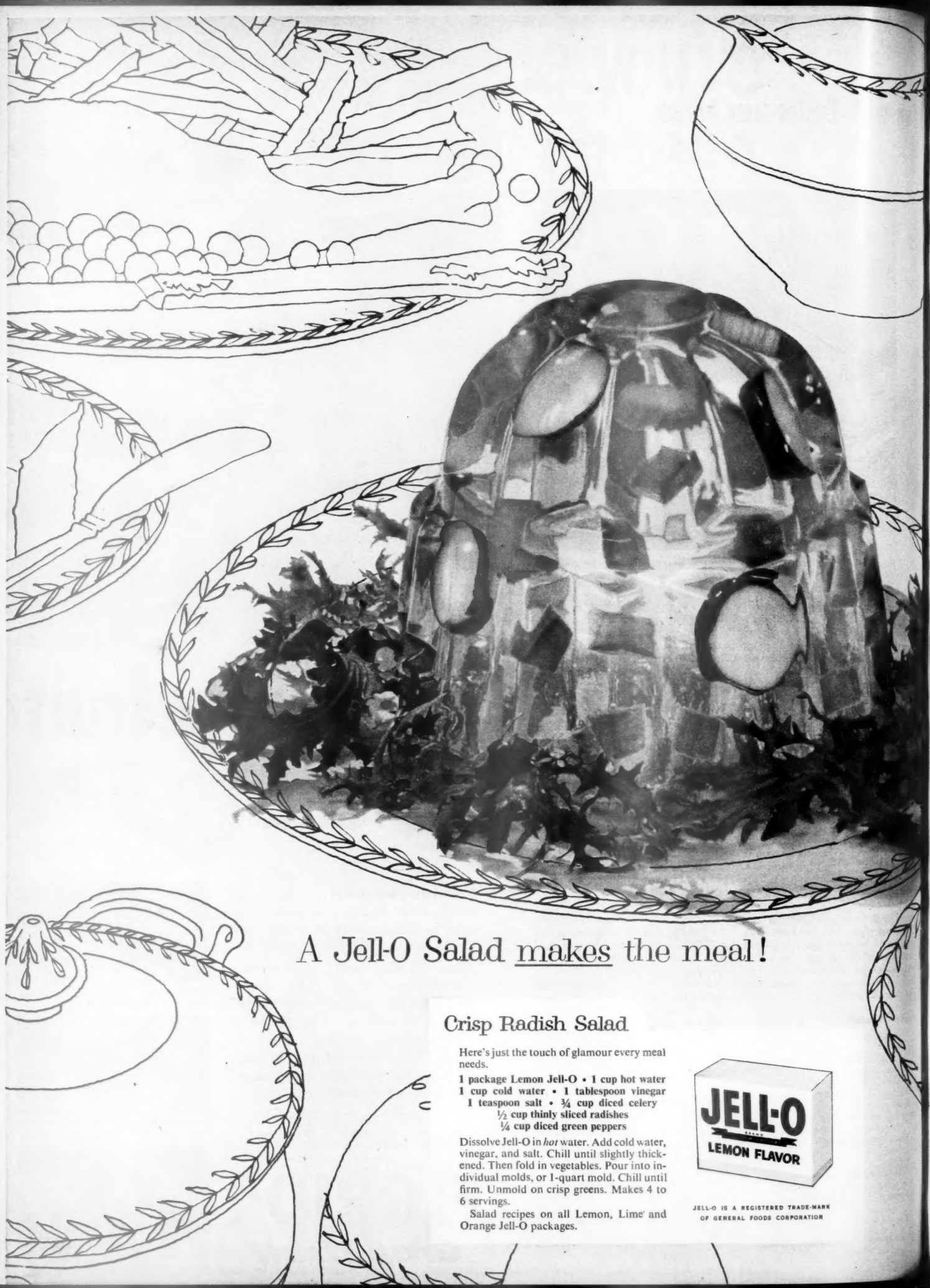

A Jell-O Salad makes the meal!

Crisp Radish Salad

Here's just the touch of glamour every meal needs.

1 package Lemon Jell-O • 1 cup hot water
1 cup cold water • 1 tablespoon vinegar
1 teaspoon salt • ¾ cup diced celery
½ cup thinly sliced radishes
¼ cup diced green peppers

Dissolve Jell-O in *hot* water. Add cold water, vinegar, and salt. Chill until slightly thickened. Then fold in vegetables. Pour into individual molds, or 1-quart mold. Chill until firm. Unmold on crisp greens. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

Salad recipes on all Lemon, Lime and Orange Jell-O packages.

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Good eating Begins on page 75

Candy-confetti Torte

1½ cups sifted enriched flour
¾ cup sugar
½ cup (8) egg yolks
¼ cup cold water
1 tablespoon lemon juice, fresh, frozen, or canned
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 cup (8) egg whites
1 teaspoon cream of tartar
1 teaspoon salt
¾ cup sugar

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1 recipe Almond-brittle Topping (on page 75)

Sift flour and ¾ cup sugar into bowl. Make well in center and add egg yolks, water, lemon juice, vanilla. Beat till smooth. Beat egg whites with cream of tartar and salt just till very soft peaks form; add remaining sugar gradually, 2 tablespoons at a time. Continue to beat till stiff meringue forms. Fold first mixture gently into meringue. Pour batter into ungreased 10-inch tube pan. Carefully cut through batter, going around tube 5 or 6 times with knife to break large air bubbles. Bake in moderate oven (350°) 50 to 55 minutes, or till top springs back when lightly touched. Invert pan 1 hour, or until cool. Remove cake and split crosswise in 4 equal layers. Put the layers together with the whipped cream and Almond-brittle Topping (see recipe on page 75).

Meat Balls

(*for Garden Skillet Supper, page 72*)

¼ cup chopped onion
1 tablespoon butter or margarine
½ pound ground beef
½ pound ground veal
1½ teaspoons salt
½ teaspoon white pepper
2 tablespoons enriched flour
1 egg
¼ cup light cream

Cook onion in butter till tender but not brown. Combine meats and seasonings; *beat thoroughly*. Beat in flour; then beat in egg. Gradually beat in cream; add onion. (This should be a light, fluffy mixture.) Form in 1-inch meat balls and brown lightly in a little additional butter or margarine, shaking skillet to turn balls. Cook with vegetables as directed on page 72.

SMART COOK!

Hot sweet rolls—and no runny frosting!

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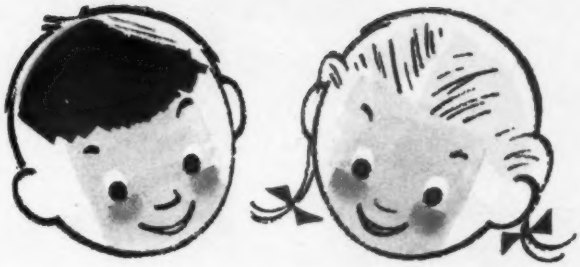
There's no melted icing to mar the looks of hot cross buns or frosted rolls when they're heated this easy way:

Put 2 tablespoons water in a large skillet. Now place a trivet or wire rack in the skillet and lay the cold buns on top. Place over medium heat about 5 minutes for that just-out-of-the-baker's-window freshness. Don't cover the skillet, or the frosting will melt.

For an even faster warm-up, put buns in dry, ungreased skillet without trivet. Warm uncovered over *very* low heat.



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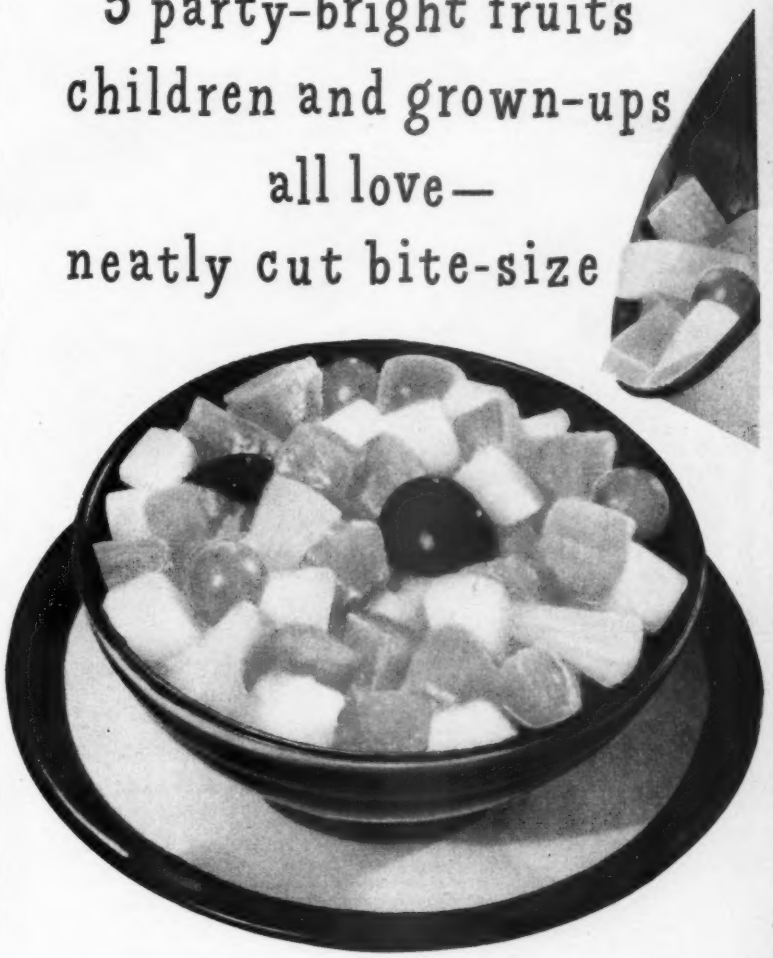

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SPAGHETTI SAUCE with MEAT BALLS

2 pounds ground beef
1 cup bread crumbs
1 tsp. salt
½ tsp. French's Oregano
¼ tsp. French's Black Pepper
⅛ tsp. French's Garlic Powder
1 egg, beaten
2 tbs. shortening, melted
5 cups canned tomatoes
2 6-ounce cans tomato paste
1 tsp. salt
1 tsp. sugar
¼ tsp. French's Oregano
½ tsp. French's Crushed Red Pepper
2 tsp. French's Onion Powder
2 tbs. French's Pepper Flakes
¼ cup French's Parsley Flakes

Mix together first 7 ingredients. Shape into balls. Brown in shortening. Add rest of ingredients; simmer 2 hours; remove cover last hour. Serve with spaghetti and Parmesan cheese. Yield: 8 servings.

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Try Grandma's oatmeal bread

By Amy Allen

You'll like the nutty flavor, the tender crust. And the recipe is extra easy—no kneading or breadmaking skill required!

1 The recipe for Grandma's Oatmeal Bread is on page 239. Mix dough in large bowl, according to directions. Brush the top of dough lightly with salad oil. Cover with aluminum foil, or waxed paper and a damp cloth. Place in the refrigerator to chill for 2 hours or longer

2 Turn chilled dough out on a well-floured surface and divide in 2 balls. Pat each into an 8x14-inch rectangle. Fold narrow ends to center, just overlapping them. Seal the center seam with heel of hand as in the picture above. Now pat each piece to a 7x10-inch rectangle

3 Starting from one of the narrow ends of the rectangle, roll the dough as you would for a jelly roll, sealing dough at the end of each complete turn. Repeat with the second rectangle. You'll be pleased with how easy this dough is to handle—and there's no kneading needed!

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4 Place each loaf, seam side down, in a greased 8½x4½x2½-inch loaf pan. Cover and let rise in a warm place till loaves double (about 2 hours). Bake in moderate oven (375°) 40 to 50 minutes. Cool on rack. Now on with butter or margarine, honey or favorite jam. Delicious!

HOT DOG TOASTIES

8 frankfurters
8 slices sandwich bread
Melted butter
French's Prepared Mustard
Toothpicks

Pour boiling water over franks, let stand 8 minutes. Spread bread with butter and mustard. Place frank cornerwise on bread, fasten opposite corners together with toothpicks. Brush with melted butter, broil until toast is golden brown. Serve with French fried onion rings.

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NEW-WAY SOUFFLÉ FOR LENT

½ cup Hellmann's or Best Foods Real Mayonnaise
4 tablespoons flour
¼ teaspoon salt
Dash of pepper
4 tablespoons milk
1 to 1¼ cups fish*
2 tablespoons chopped parsley
¼ teaspoon grated onion
1 teaspoon lemon juice
4 egg whites

Mix Real Mayonnaise, flour, salt and pepper. Add milk slowly. Stir in fish, parsley, onion, lemon juice. Beat egg whites until stiff. Gently fold in mayonnaise mixture until thoroughly blended. Pour into a greased 7-inch casserole and bake in a slow oven (325°) 40 to 45 minutes. Serve at once. Yield: 4 servings

**Canned or cooked fresh fish. Or use finely chopped cooked meats, minced chicken or vegetables. Or grated cheese, omitting parsley, onion and lemon juice.*

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Keep your ice-cream scoop busy

Uniform hamburgers, meat balls. Season ground-beef mixture, then dip up a mound with your ice-cream scoop. Smaller size makes meat balls; the larger dipper turns out hefty burgers. Trick for the crowd: Park each serving of meat on a square of waxed paper and top with a second square. Then flatten out the patty with your rolling pin

Potato-salad mounds. Plates look trim and neat with same-size portion on each. Try idea also for mashed-potato mounds, serving identical helpings of salads and vegetables to a crowd. Ice-cream scoops come in sizes from No. 40, smallest, to No. 8, largest. Number tells you how many level dips you can plan on getting from a quart

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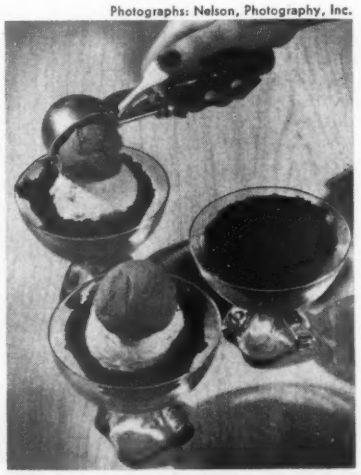

Ice-cream stackups. Two sizes of scoops and two flavors of ice cream add up to a real party treat.

Here you see stackups of chocolate and vanilla balls in chocolate-crumb cups.

Make cups with chocolate-wafer crust mixture; press it in greased muffin or custard cups; chill till set.

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LEMON CRUNCH PIE

Tart-sweet lemon plus crisp *Diamond* Walnuts —a skillful blend of flavors that makes this dessert a delight.

- 9" baked pie shell
- 1 pkg. lemon-flavored gelatin
- 1 cup boiling water
- ¼ cup sugar
- ½ tsp. vanilla
- 1 cup finely chopped *Diamond* Walnuts
- ½ pt. heavy cream, whipped
- Maraschino cherries
- *Diamond* Walnut halves

Dissolve gelatin in boiling water. Stir in sugar and chill till syrupy. Beat with rotary beater till light and fluffy. Fold in vanilla, *Diamond* Walnuts and whipped cream, reserving a small amount of cream for trim. Pour into baked pie shell. Chill until firm. Garnish with maraschino cherries, whipped cream and plump, golden *Diamond* Walnut halves.

For extra glamour and goodness—nothing adds so much flavor, texture and eye appeal as *Diamond* Walnuts. So economical, too! Over 2 full cups of usable kernels per pound when you buy them in-the-shell! Use them liberally!

WALNUT PEACHERINO SALAD

Dissolve 2 packages of lemon-flavored gelatin in 1¾ cups boiling water. Add 2 tsps. lemon juice and ¾ cup syrup from canned sliced peaches. Cool till thickened. Add ⅓ cup chopped *Diamond* Walnuts—the crisp touch that molded salads need! Arrange 12 to 16 cling peach slices and 8 maraschino cherry halves in 8x4x4" loaf pan; cover with 1 cup of gelatin. Chill till firm. To remaining gelatin, add ½ cup of commercial sour cream, or ½ cup cottage cheese, well drained. Pour over fruit layer. Chill. To serve: unmold, and spoon mayonnaise down the center to frame tempting *Diamond* Walnut halves. 8 to 10 servings.

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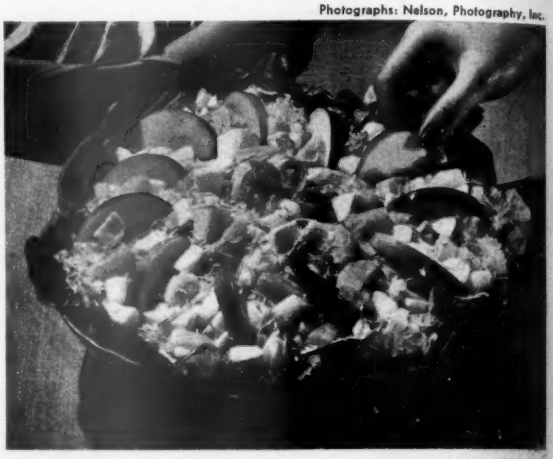


Cabbage-Pineapple Slaw. **It has delicious bits of juicy pineapple and fluffy marshmallows mixed with the shreds of cabbage. Serve in a bowl lined with leaf lettuce. Crown salad with a rosy wreath of unpared apple slices**

Cabbage-Pineapple Slaw

Try this at your next bridge luncheon—

3 cups shredded cabbage
1 9-ounce can pineapple tidbits, drained
1 cup diced apples
1 cup marshmallows (10), cut in eighths
½ cup chopped celery
½ cup mayonnaise

Combine, tossing until mayonnaise coats all ingredients. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

***Green-and-orange Salad*—the green is cabbage, and carrots are the orange. Raisins are added for flavor, color, and healthfulness. Individual plates of unusual design make an interesting background for shredded cabbage**

Green-and-orange Salad

With mustard for tang—

½ cup mayonnaise
1 tablespoon lemon juice
2 teaspoons prepared mustard
¾ teaspoon salt
3 cups shredded cabbage
1 cup grated carrots
½ cup raisins

Combine first 4 ingredients and mix with vegetables and raisins; toss lightly. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

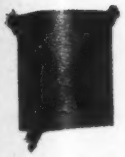
***Skillet Salad*—cabbage in the Pennsylvania Dutch tradition of warm slaw and with the homespun goodness of crumbled bacon. Serve right in the skillet for a bonus of minutes saved. Come fall, try this with red cabbage**

Skillet Salad

An old-fashioned hot slaw flecked with parsley—

4 slices bacon
¼ cup vinegar
1 tablespoon brown sugar
1 teaspoon salt
1 tablespoon finely chopped onion
4 cups (½ medium head) shredded cabbage
½ cup chopped parsley

Cook bacon till crisp; remove from skillet and crumble. Add vinegar, sugar, salt, and onion to fat in skillet. Add crumbled bacon. Heat thoroughly; take from range and toss cabbage and parsley in hot dressing. Makes 6 servings.



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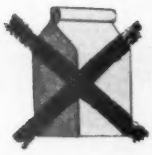

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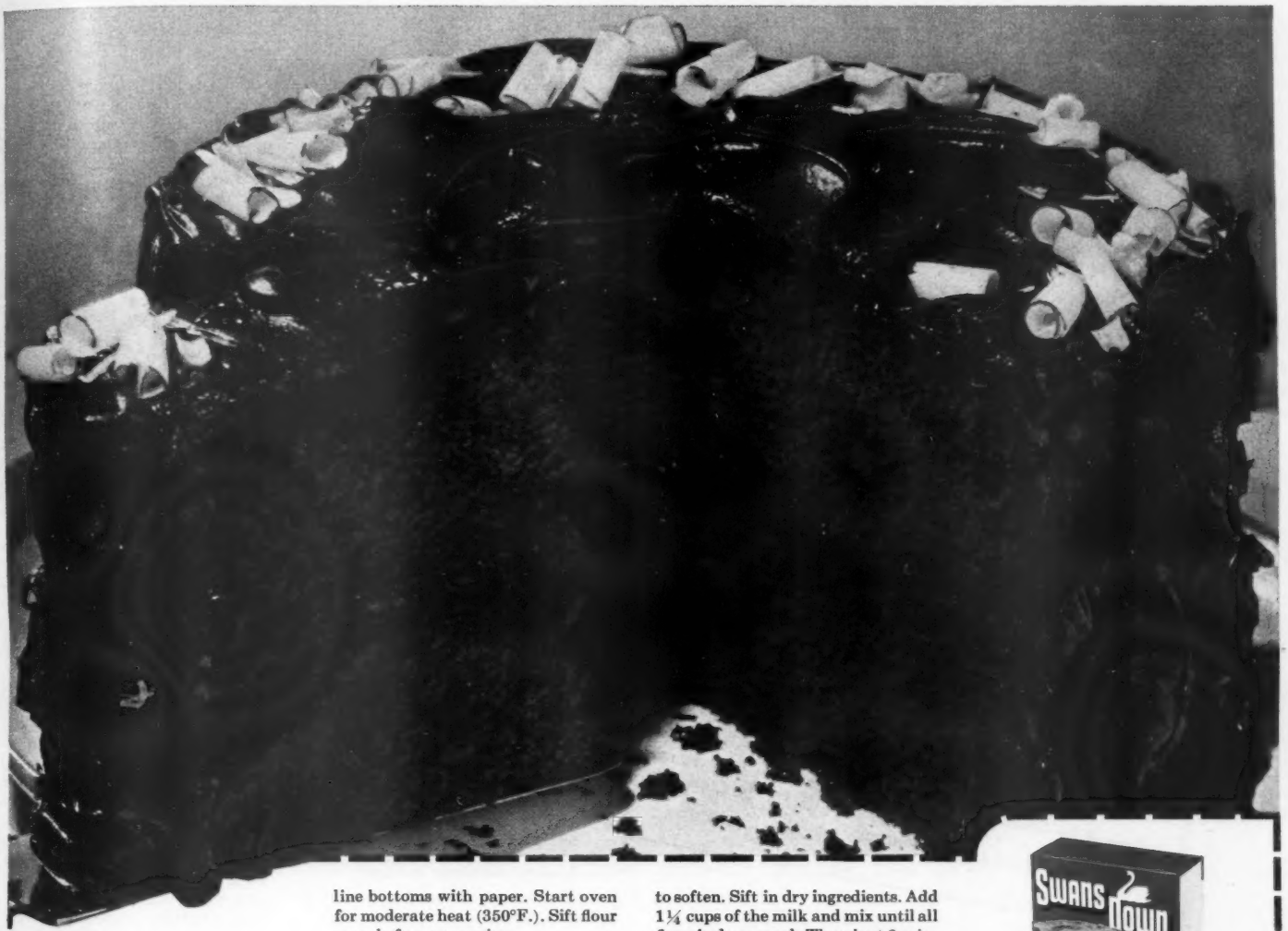

Double Chocolate Layer Cake

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Preparations. Have ready two round 9-inch layer pans, 1½ inches deep; line bottoms with paper. Start oven for moderate heat (350°F.). Sift flour once before measuring.

- 2¼ cups sifted Swans Down Cake Flour
- 1½ teaspoons soda
- 1½ teaspoons salt
- 1⅔ cups sugar
- ⅓ cup shortening (at room temperature)
- 1½ cups buttermilk or sour milk*
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1 egg and 1 egg yolk
- 3 squares Baker's Unsweetened Chocolate, melted

*To use sweet milk in the recipe, measure 1½ tablespoons vinegar into measuring cup before filling cup with milk. Pour into small bowl; add ½ cup more milk. Let stand in a warm place a few minutes to "sour."

Mixing. Measure flour, soda, salt, and sugar into sifter. Stir shortening just to soften. Sift in dry ingredients. Add 1¼ cups of the milk and mix until all flour is dampened. Then *beat 2 minutes* in mixer (at a low speed) or 300 vigorous strokes by hand. Add vanilla, egg and yolk, chocolate and remaining milk and *beat 1 minute* longer in mixer or 150 strokes by hand.

Baking. Pour batter into pans. Bake in moderate oven (350°F.) 30 minutes, or until done. Cool.

Frosting. Spread Easy Chocolate Frosting between layers and over top and sides of cake. Sprinkle with shaved Brazil nuts.

Easy Chocolate Frosting. Melt 3 or 4 squares Baker's Unsweetened Chocolate and 3 tablespoons butter over hot water. Combine in bowl: 3 cups sifted confectioners' sugar, ⅛ teaspoon salt, 7 tablespoons milk, and 1 teaspoon vanilla; blend. Add chocolate mixture and mix well. Let stand until thick enough to spread, stirring occasionally. To speed thickening put bowl in pan of ice and water.

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1 cup ripe olives
2 hard-cooked eggs
1 (6½ or 7-ounce) can tuna
1 tsp. grated onion
1 tsp. prepared mustard
¼ cup milk
½ tsp. Worcestershire sauce
1 (10½-ounce) can cream of mushroom soup
¼ cup diced pimiento
Buttered dry bread crumbs

Cut olives into large pieces. Dice eggs. Drain tuna and flake coarsely. Stir onion, mustard, milk and Worcestershire into soup. Blend in pimiento, olives, eggs and tuna. Spoon into baking shells or shallow baking dish and top with crumbs. Bake in moderate oven (350° F.) 20 to 25 minutes, until thoroughly heated and browned on top. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

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Give your meals a spring note

Begins on page 79

Creamed Ham in Popovers

¼ cup butter or margarine
¼ cup enriched flour
2 cups milk
2 cups diced cooked ham
1 3-ounce can (¾ cup) sliced broiled mushrooms, drained
2 tablespoons chopped green pepper
2 tablespoons pickle relish

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1 recipe Popovers

Melt butter, blend in flour. Stir in milk gradually. Cook, stirring constantly, until thick. Add next 4 ingredients; heat thoroughly. If desired, garnish with diced pimiento. Serve in Popovers. Makes 4 to 5 servings.

Popovers

Puffy wonders—easy to make—

2 eggs
1 cup milk
1 cup sifted enriched flour
½ teaspoon salt
1 tablespoon melted shortening or salad oil

Beat eggs well with rotary beater or electric mixer. Add milk. Sift flour and salt together; add to egg mixture. Add shortening. Beat about 1 minute. Fill well-greased 6-ounce custard cups ⅓ full. Bake in very hot oven (450°) 15 minutes. Reduce heat to 350°. Continue baking until brown and firm, 25 to 30 minutes. Prick to let steam escape. If desired, leave in oven, with heat off and door ajar, 30 minutes to dry. Serve hot. Makes 8.

Savory Green Beans

Pleasantly herbed and colorful—

2½ cups drained cooked or canned green beans
¼ cup butter or margarine
2 tablespoons finely chopped pimiento
½ teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon savory
Dash pepper

Combine beans with remaining ingredients. Heat slowly till thoroughly hot, stirring occasionally. Makes 4 to 5 servings.

Lemon Coconut Delight

A glamour dessert you can fix in a matter of minutes—

1 cup sweetened condensed milk
6 tablespoons lemon juice
1 teaspoon grated lemon peel
1 10x5-inch loaf angel cake
2 cups toasted shredded coconut
15 orange sections, membrane removed

Combine sweetened condensed milk and lemon juice. Stir till mixture thickens. Add lemon peel. Cut cake in 2-inch slices. Turn each on its side and frost with lemon mixture; sprinkle with coconut. Chill. Place 3 orange sections on each. Garnish with fresh mint, if desired. Makes 5 servings.

To toast coconut: Spread shredded coconut in thin layer in shallow baking pan. Place in moderate oven (350°) and toast until delicately browned, 10 to 15 minutes. (Stir coconut or shake pan often, to toast evenly.)

Perfection Salad

Old-time favorite—

1 tablespoon (1 envelope) unflavored gelatin
¼ cup cold water
1 cup hot water
¼ cup sugar
½ teaspoon salt
¼ cup vinegar
1 tablespoon lemon juice, fresh, frozen, or canned
1 cup finely shredded cabbage
½ cup chopped celery
¼ cup chopped pimiento
¼ cup chopped green pepper

Soften gelatin in cold water. Dissolve in hot water. Add sugar and salt; stir till dissolved. Add vinegar and lemon juice. Cool. When mixture begins to thicken, add remaining ingredients. Turn into individual molds; chill until firm. Unmold on lettuce. Makes 4 to 5 servings.

Spanish Eggs

Stuffed eggs atop a cheese-and-noodle casserole—

1 5- or 6-ounce package (2 cups) noodles

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½ cup chopped onion
½ cup chopped green pepper
3 tablespoons fat
1 No. 2 can (2½ cups) tomatoes
1 cup (¼ pound) grated process American cheese
¼ cup butter or margarine
¼ cup enriched flour
½ teaspoon salt

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4 hard-cooked eggs
½ teaspoon salt
Dash pepper
3 tablespoons mayonnaise

Cook noodles in boiling salted water till tender; drain. Meanwhile, cook onion and green pepper in hot fat till tender but not brown. Add tomatoes; simmer 10 minutes. Add cheese and stir until melted. Remove from heat. Melt butter; blend in flour and ½ teaspoon salt; stir in tomato mixture; cook and stir until thick. Place the noodles in a 10x6x1½-inch baking dish. Pour sauce over. Bake in moderate oven (350°) 20 minutes. Meanwhile, halve eggs lengthwise. Mash yolks and mix with ½ teaspoon salt, the pepper, and mayonnaise. Fill egg whites. Top casserole with stuffed eggs, spoon sauce over, and bake 5 minutes longer. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

Baked Prune Whip

Fluffy, and tangy tart with lemon—

2 cups cooked prunes, drained
1 teaspoon grated lemon peel
2 teaspoons lemon juice
2 tablespoons confectioners' sugar
4 stiff-beaten egg whites
2 tablespoons confectioners' sugar

Remove pits from prunes; mash prunes to a pulp. Add lemon peel, juice, and 2 tablespoons confectioners' sugar; blend well. To beaten egg whites, add remaining confectioners' sugar; beat until stiff. Fold prune mixture into egg whites. Pile lightly in greased baking dish. Bake in moderate oven (350°) 20 to 30 minutes. Serve with Custard Sauce. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

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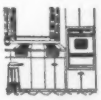
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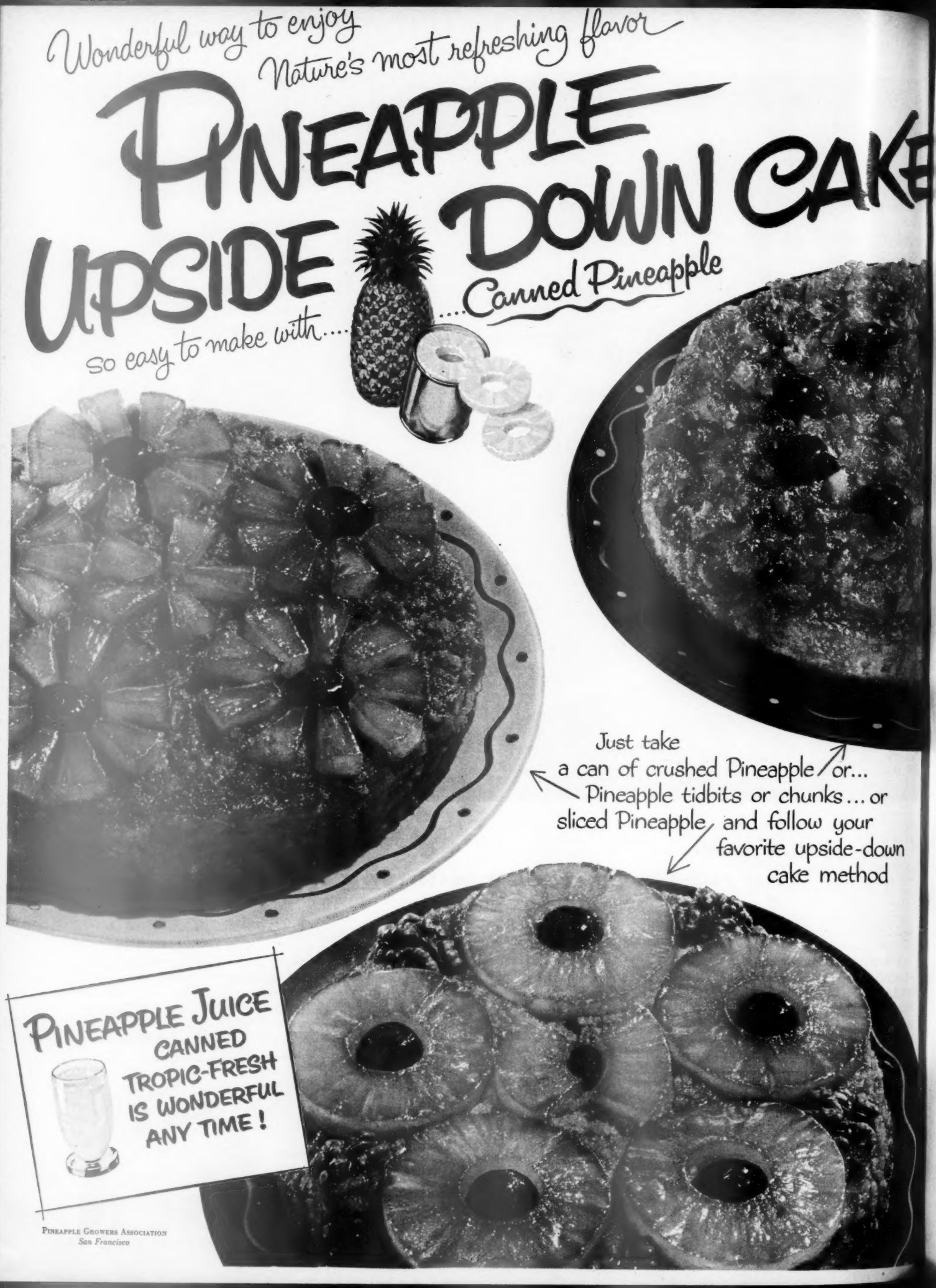
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Peppy Dressing

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½ cup salad oil
3 tablespoons vinegar
½ small Bermuda onion, chopped
2 tablespoons minced parsley
1 tablespoon minced green pepper
1 teaspoon confectioners' sugar
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon dry mustard
½ teaspoon red pepper

Combine the ingredients in jar or blender. Cover and set aside 1 hour. Shake for 5 minutes or blend thoroughly. Makes about ¾ cup.

Custard Sauce

A favorite dessert go-with—

3 beaten egg yolks
Dash salt
¼ cup sugar
2 cups milk, scalded
1 teaspoon vanilla

Combine egg yolks, salt, and sugar. Gradually stir in scalded milk. Cook in double boiler over *hot, not boiling*, water until mixture coats spoon, stirring constantly. Remove from heat; add vanilla. Chill. Makes 2⅓ cups.

Macaroni-and-cheese Souffle

The light touch for an old favorite—

½ cup packaged 7-minute macaroni
• • •
1½ cups scalded milk
1 cup soft bread crumbs
2 cups (½ pound) grated process American cheese
3 beaten egg yolks
¼ cup diced pimiento
3 tablespoons butter or margarine, melted
1 tablespoon chopped parsley
1 tablespoon grated onion
½ teaspoon salt
3 egg whites
¼ teaspoon cream of tartar

Cook macaroni in boiling salted water according to package directions; drain. Pour hot milk over bread crumbs. Add 1½ cups of the cheese. Cover and let stand until cheese melts; then add macaroni, egg yolks, pimiento, butter, parsley, onion, and salt. Beat egg whites with cream of tartar until stiff but not dry; fold into macaroni mixture. Pour into a 10x6x1½-inch baking dish; set in shallow pan, filling pan to 1 inch with hot water. Bake in moderate oven (350°) 45 to 60 minutes, or till set. Top with remaining ½ cup cheese; return to oven for a few minutes, or till cheese melts. Garnish with green pepper rings. Makes 6 servings.

Springtime Peas

Garden-fresh flavor here—

3 pounds fresh or 2 10-ounce packages frozen peas
6 or 7 lettuce leaves
6 green onions, chopped
1½ teaspoons sugar
¾ teaspoon salt
Dash pepper
Pinch thyme
3 tablespoons water
3 tablespoons butter or margarine

Shell fresh peas. Arrange lettuce on bottom of heavy saucepan; add peas and remaining ingredients. Cover tightly and cook over *low heat* till peas are tender, 10 to 15 minutes. Add a little more water during cooking if necessary. Makes 6 servings.

Shake-up Dressing

Wonderfully quick and flavorful—

½ cup salad oil
½ cup evaporated milk
¼ cup vinegar
2 small cloves garlic
½ teaspoon salt
Dash pepper
¼ cup chili sauce or catsup
2 hard-cooked eggs, chopped
¼ cup minced green pepper
2 tablespoons minced onion

In jar with tight cover, combine all ingredients. Cover and shake vigorously about 1 minute. Chill well. Before using, remove garlic. Makes 2 cups.

Cherry-Nut Pudding

Fruited cake squares served warm with a refreshing sauce—

¼ cup shortening
¾ cup sugar
1 egg
1½ cups sifted cake flour
2 teaspoons baking powder
½ teaspoon salt
½ cup milk
1 No. 2 can (2½ cups) canned pitted red sour cherries, drained
¼ teaspoon almond extract
½ cup chopped California walnuts
• • •
1 recipe Cherry Sauce

Cream together the shortening and sugar till fluffy. Add egg; beat well. Sift together dry ingredients; add alternately with milk, stirring just to blend. Fold in cherries, almond extract, and nuts. Pour into greased 8x8x2-inch pan. Bake in moderate oven (350°) about 50 to 55 minutes. Cut in squares; serve with hot **Cherry Sauce:** Combine ¾ cup sugar, 2 tablespoons cornstarch, and ½ teaspoon salt. Gradually stir in cherry juice plus water to make 1 cup. Add 1 cup apple juice. Cook, stirring constantly, till thick. Makes 9 servings.

Lemon Cheese Pie

Really luscious! And oh so easy—

1 package lemon pudding mix
¾ cup sugar
¼ cup water
1 egg
¾ cup water
¾ cup light cream
2 cups small-curd dry cottage cheese, sieved
• • •
1 9-inch Graham-cracker Crust
2 graham crackers, finely crushed

Combine pudding mix, sugar, and ¼ cup water in saucepan. Add egg and blend well. Add remaining ¾ cup water and the cream. Cook, stirring constantly, until mixture comes to a *full* boil and is thick, about 5 minutes. Cool slightly, about 5 minutes, stirring once or twice. Fold into cottage cheese, blending well. Pour into Graham-cracker Crust. Chill. Sprinkle graham-cracker crumbs on top. **Graham-cracker Crust:** Crush 18 gra-

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ham crackers (1½ cups crumbs); add ¼ cup sugar and ⅓ cup melted butter or margarine; mix well. Press firmly in greased 9-inch pieplate. Chill until set, about 45 minutes.

Barbecued Lamb Steaks

6 lamb steaks, ½ inch thick
2 tablespoons fat
1 cup Easy Barbecue Sauce

Brown meat on both sides in hot fat. Place in large casserole. Top steaks with ½ cup of the barbecue sauce. Cover, and bake in moderate oven (350°) 30 minutes. Add remaining ½ cup barbecue sauce and continue cooking, covered, 15 minutes longer. Makes 6 servings.

Easy Barbecue Sauce

Zesty—just mix, and it's ready to use!—

1 cup mayonnaise
1 6-ounce can (¾ cup) tomato paste
¼ cup vinegar
3 tablespoons Worcestershire sauce
1 tablespoon chopped onion
1 tablespoon horse-radish
1 teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon pepper
½ teaspoon cayenne
¼ to ½ teaspoon Tabasco sauce

Combine all the ingredients; blend well. This sauce may be used as a basting sauce. (It will keep several weeks in the refrigerator.) Makes 2 cups.

Oven-fried Potato Crisps

Gold-colored and crunchy—

Allow 1 potato per serving. Wash and pare potatoes; slice thin, using potato peeler. Soak in cold water several hours. Dry slices between paper towels. Brush potatoes generously with salad oil or melted fat. Place in a greased shallow pan (do not overlap). Bake in moderate oven (350°) about 50 to 60 minutes, or until crisp and lightly browned. Turn potato slices occasionally and brush with more oil to keep moist while cooking. Sprinkle with salt and serve hot.

Quick Sauerbraten

Sweet-sour beef in record time—

3 tablespoons enriched flour
1½ teaspoons salt
1½ pounds 1-inch round steak, cut in 1x3-inch strips
2 tablespoons fat
¾ cup sliced onion
½ cup cider vinegar
1 cup water
1½ teaspoons sugar
3 peppercorns
3 whole cloves
2 bay leaves
• • •
6 gingersnaps, crumbled

Combine flour and salt; roll meat in this mixture. Brown the meat in hot fat. Add onion, vinegar, water, sugar. Tie spices in small piece of cheesecloth; add. Cover and simmer gently about 1½ hours, or till meat is tender. Remove spice bag. Add gingersnaps and continue cooking, stirring occasionally, about 15 minutes, or until gravy is thick. Makes 5 to 6 servings.

Potato Pancakes

Make a perfect duo with sauerbraten—

2 cups grated potato
3 tablespoons grated onion
1 slightly beaten egg
1 tablespoon enriched flour
½ teaspoon salt
Dash pepper
2 teaspoons milk
2 tablespoons bacon drippings

Combine potato, onion, and egg in mixing bowl; add flour, salt, pepper, milk, and bacon drippings. Blend well. Drop batter (2 tablespoons per pancake) into skillet containing a little hot bacon drippings. Fry until golden brown, turning once. Add more bacon drippings to skillet as needed. Makes 8 to 10 pancakes.

Hot Red Cabbage

Colorful, with just the right tartness—

2 tablespoons salad oil
1 medium head red cabbage (4 cups shredded)
2 medium apples, chopped
2 cups hot water
⅔ cup vinegar
3 tablespoons sugar
½ teaspoon salt

Heat oil; add remaining ingredients; cook till apples are tender. Makes 6 servings.

Western Salad Bowl

A chunky salad—the kind men go for—

½ head lettuce
¼ bunch curly endive
½ bunch water cress
2 tomatoes, cut in wedges
2 stalks celery, cut in sticks
6 radishes, sliced
3 green onions, chopped
½ green pepper, sliced
¼ cup Blue-cheese French Dressing

Break lettuce in bowl; tear endive and water cress in small pieces. Arrange remaining vegetables on top. Pour dressing over and toss lightly. Serve immediately. Makes 6 servings.

Blue-cheese French Dressing

Real zingy flavor here—

3 ounces blue cheese (½ to ⅔ cup, crumbled)
½ cup olive or salad oil
2 tablespoons vinegar
1 tablespoon lemon juice
1 teaspoon anchovy paste
Dash steak sauce
½ clove garlic, minced
Salt and pepper

Crumble the cheese with fork. Add remaining ingredients; mix thoroughly. Makes ¾ cup.

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Young mother enjoys cooking contests

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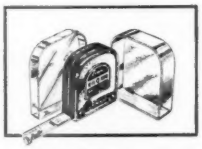

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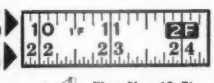

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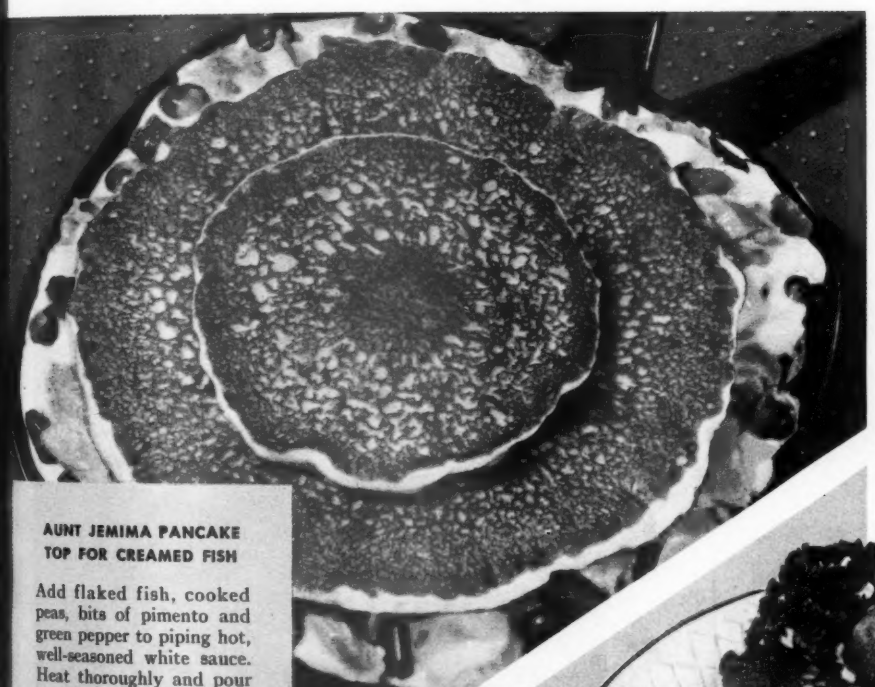

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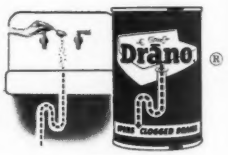

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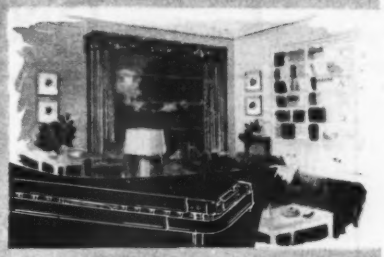

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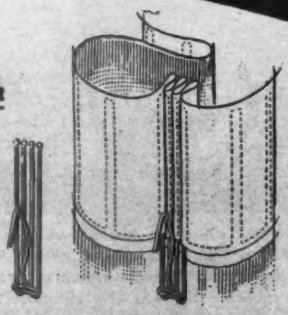

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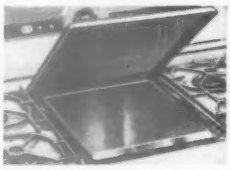

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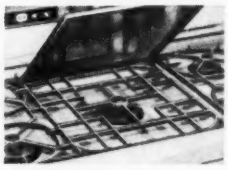

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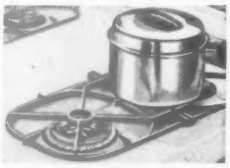

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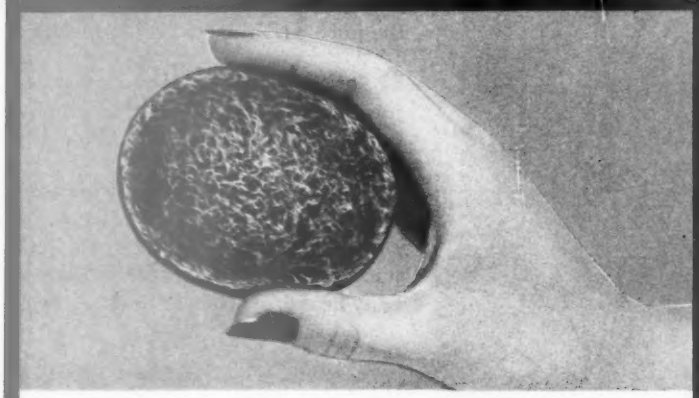
How-to-do-it

easy way to clean off burned-on food and grease



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Know your serving dishes

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Yellow or blue Swedish oven-to-table ware adds sophistication to your other serving pieces with their modern line.

Leaf shape is 10″ long and makes an ideal relish dish or individual casserole. Spade-shape casserole could double as a salad bowl. Large covered casserole is 13″ long; handled one stands 8″ high.

Other pieces include 9″x 12″ oval platter and 8″ round plate. The wooden spoons are also Swedish.

Partridge in a Pear Tree pattern dinnerware is inspired by an old Christmas carol.

Little gold pears add sparkle to a stylized design in shades of gray on bone china.

Oval platter is 11½″x15″ and comes in smaller size. Round platter has 13″ diameter. The coffeepot stands 10″ high and holds five cups of beverage. Covered vegetable dish would make an attractive fruit bowl.

Covered waffle dishes are new and practical for waffle suppers or breakfasts. Village Green informal oven-to-table ware comes in brown, aqua.

The candlelighted warmer fits under coffeepot and will keep your coffee steaming. It's been specially designed to keep your servings hot when you are eating outdoors.

The Reigning Beauty pattern sterling is smart and simple enough to look well with casual dinnerware and your fine china pieces.

Here are but a few of the attractive, functional serving pieces available in Barkwood pattern. The design is cinnamon brown on beige.

The 2-quart pitcher, with 14-ounce tumblers to match, is a boon to the hostess who likes informal entertaining. Eggcup enlivens breakfast.

Eight-inch casserole may be taken directly from oven to table. The colors are guaranteed not to fade, mar, or wash off in a dishwasher.

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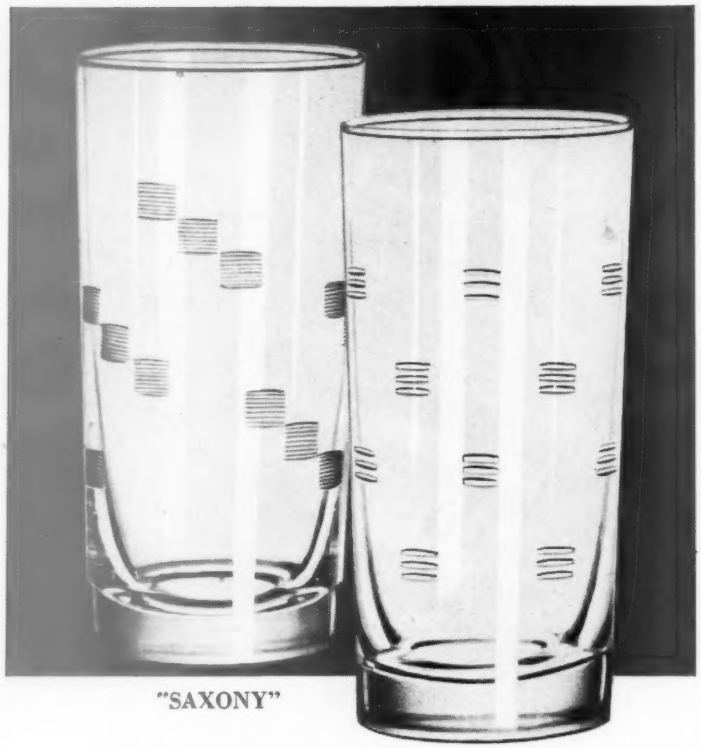

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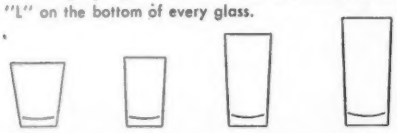

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HOW-TO

for the homemaker

Ripping remedy for eyes in plastic or paper-backed belts, which tend to pull out after a little wear, is made from strip of iron-on tape.

Before tears appear, iron strip of tape on back of belt to cover eyes. With an ice pick, punch holes through the tape where the eyes are.

Mrs. Warren Hall
Reinbeck, Iowa

Plunger pickup helps you dust glass-topped tables without scratching glass or tipping the table.

Use your plunger to lift and hold glass while you dust. Some new tables have suction cups for this purpose, but the "plumber's friend" works as well on your older tables.

Mrs. R. G. Gronowski
Elgin, Illinois

Stop soap-dish scum with an absorbent cellulose sponge, cut to fit tray. It absorbs water and keeps the tray free from melted soap.

When it's time to clean the basin, the soap-logged sponge makes a sudsy scrubber.

Mrs. Robert Mitchell
Elmwood Park, Illinois

This one-motion method makes quick work of ironing button bands on men's shirts and women's blouses.

Dampen band and lay it button-side down on a towel. Buttons will sink into towel while your iron glides smoothly over the fabric.

Mrs. Ralph Stauber
Wausau, Wisconsin

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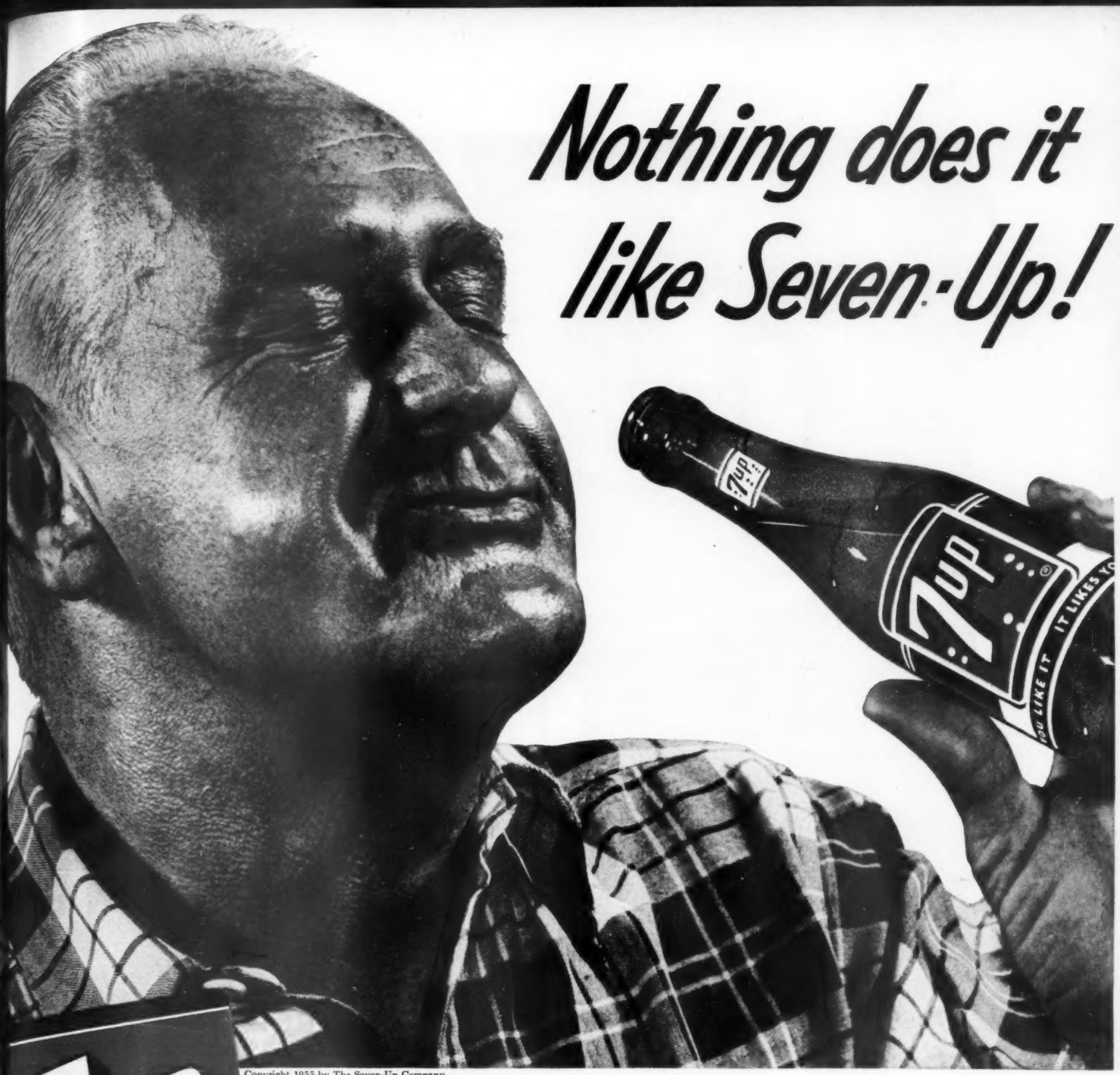

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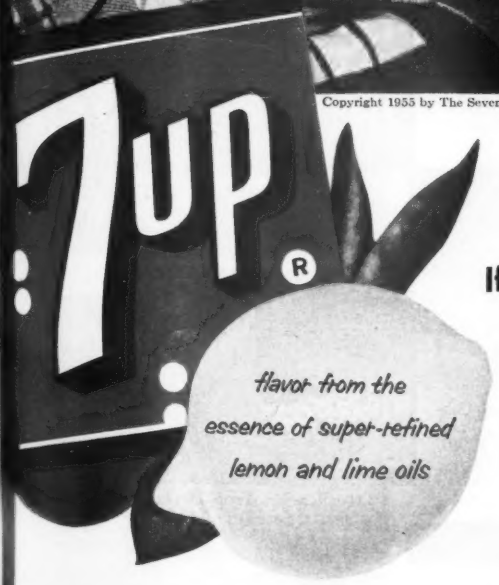

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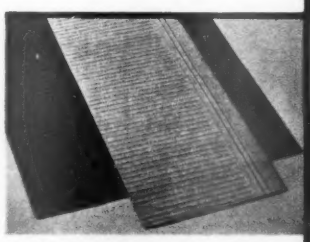

Shelf-Kushions for Wall Cabinets in 11¾ in. width; 24, 30 and 36 in. lengths. $1.00, $1.19, $1.49. For Base Cabinets, 22 x 36 in., $2.98. All trim easily.

Wall Cabinet Shelf-Kushions have special surface ribbing to provide ventilation, prevent glassware from fogging.

Plate Racks keep plates, pan lids, platters easy to reach in cushioned safety. The 11 in. length, $1.49. The 20 in. length, $1.98.

How-to for the homemaker

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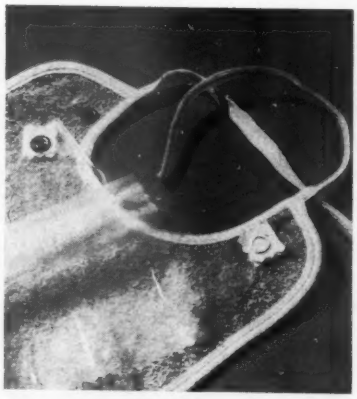
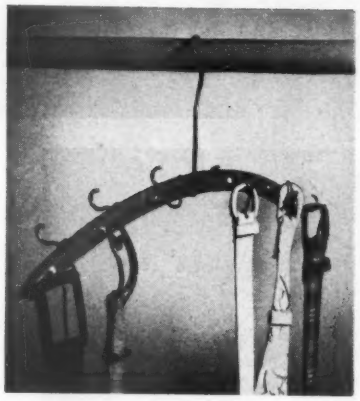


A spilly Willy needs extra protection when he dribbles on his bibs. Make a plastic liner to use with them all.

Cut plastic slightly smaller than bibs; attach snap fasteners reinforced with fabric. Attach corresponding halves of fasteners on wrong sides of all Baby's bibs.

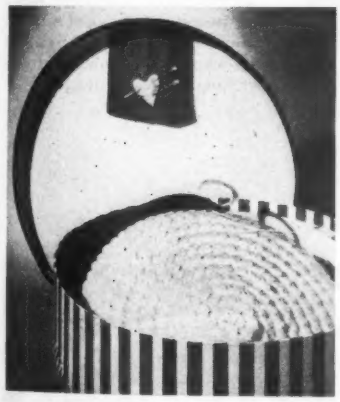
Mrs. Richard Headstrom
Denver, Colorado



Compact closet caddy for belts is made by screwing cup hooks into a wood hanger. It keeps belts hanging smooth and straight, and takes up little room in the closet.

Use as many hooks as you need for your belts, spacing them alternately on either side of the hanger.

Mrs. Essie Ward
Forrest City, Arkansas



Mad as a hatter when you can't find the right pin for a certain bonnet? Use the lid of your hatbox to keep pins always handy.

Glue one edge of felt flap to box; let other edge hang free so you can grasp it to insert pins. Heart cutout decorates this flap.

Mrs. Stanley Clark
East Bradenton, Florida

Razor-back piggy keeps used razor blades out of children's reach in a bathroom that doesn't have a blade slot.

A plastic or wooden pig, painted with name or bright flowers, makes a decorative bathroom accessory, too.

Mrs. G. E. Johnson
Oakland, California

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Serve this casserole with green peas, mixed pickles and corn relish, and a salad of juicy orange and grapefruit sections.

For dessert, dip up big scoops of pink peppermint ice cream, spoon marshmallow sauce over.

Club Mushroom Casserole. Asking the girls over for a bridge luncheon? Here's a treat you can depend on to bring word bouquets.

The mushrooms bake in a rich cheese sauce. Green pepper and pimiento bits make gay polka dots.

To complete your party, offer a crisp tossed salad spiked with tart French dressing, and a basket of oven-warm rolls. How about your best fudge cake for dessert?

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Spring Luncheon Pie. Pretty herald of the season—cubes of luncheon meat and colorful succotash with topper of parsley-flecked biscuit wedges. As go-withs, serve new green onions, radish roses, celery and carrot curls. Top this meal off with a fresh-fruit dessert

Ham 'n Egg Casserole. Wonderful way to fix the last of Sunday's ham. This is a quickie—canned cream of celery soup is the sauce. Pass fresh relishes, dark bread. For dessert, bring on a fluffy-topped lemon meringue pie

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Now! At a real budget price the new Frigidaire Thrifty-30 brings you a

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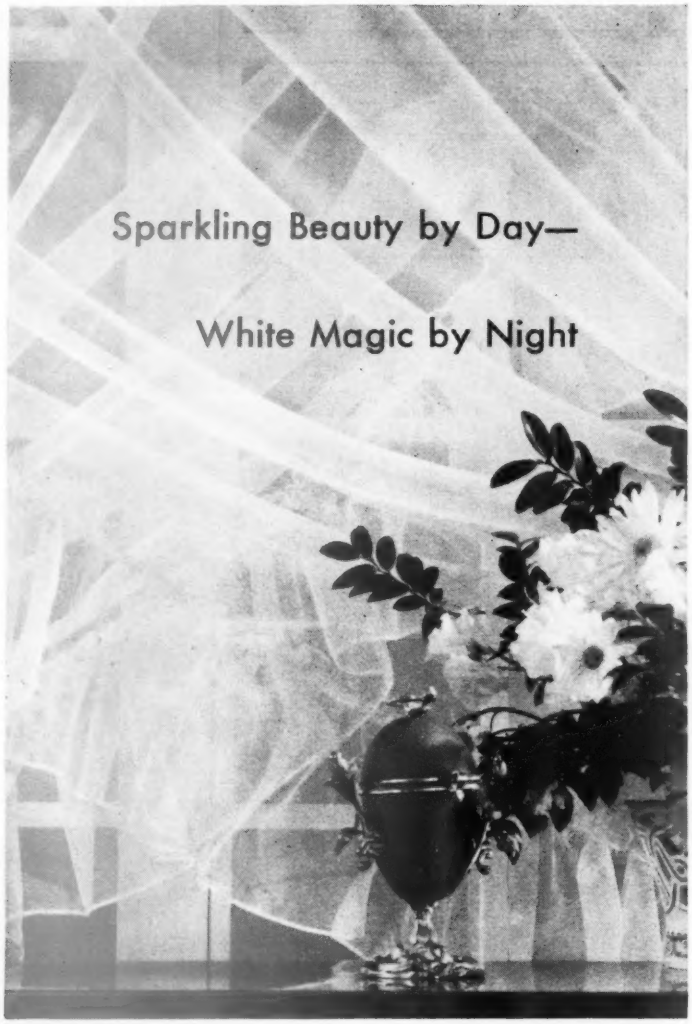

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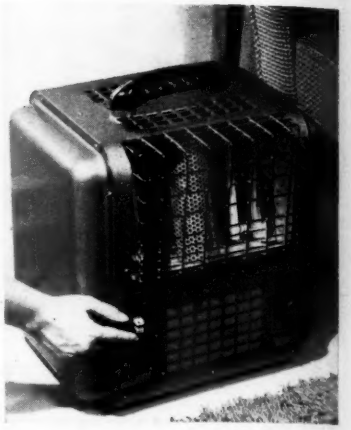

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Portable roaster-oven is perfect for doing up big Tom Turkey the way you like.

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Chango! Now it's a grill. Lift off the pan, pull open the "lid," and you have two roomy surfaces for cooking sausage patties, pancakes.

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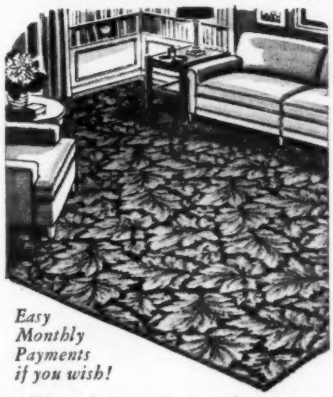

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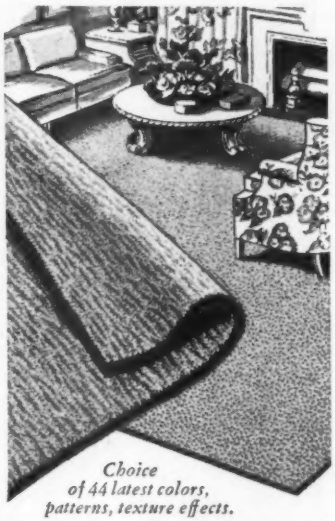

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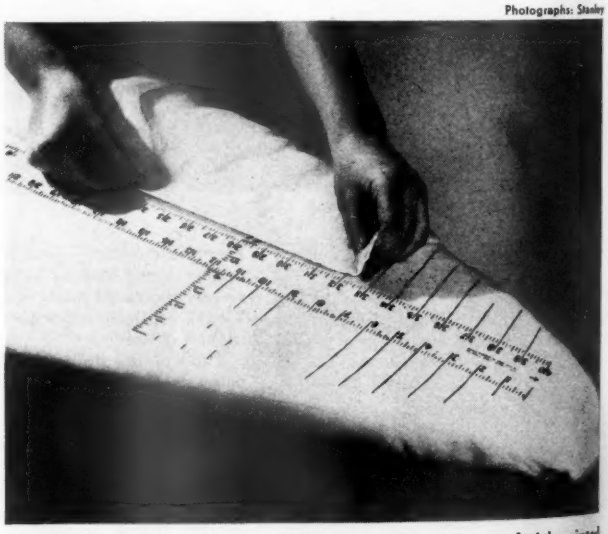

Line up. Curtain hems will hang straight as the yardstick printed on this cover. Measure curtain to make sure that it's the right length. Handy printed tape measure will help when you're sewing, turning hems, blocking sweaters. Elastic around edge holds cover in place

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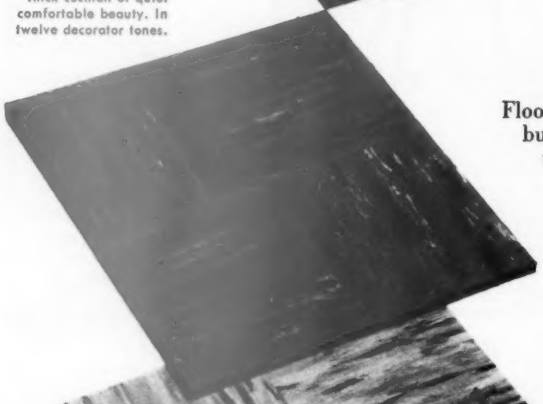

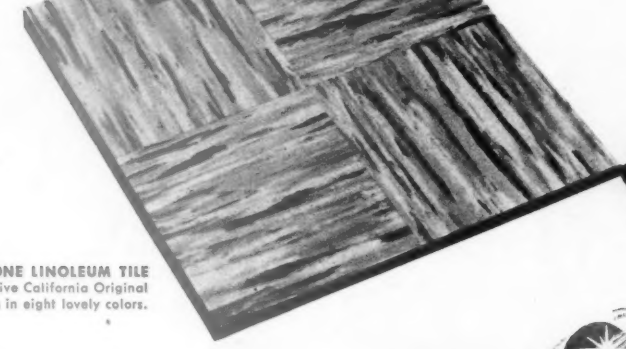

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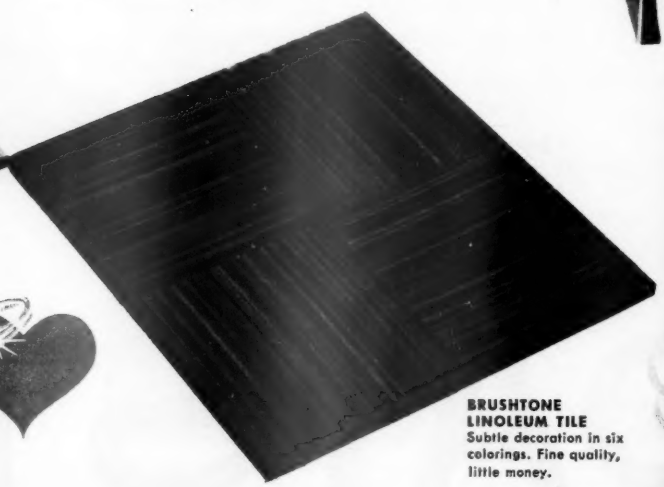

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Smart toppers for your ironing board

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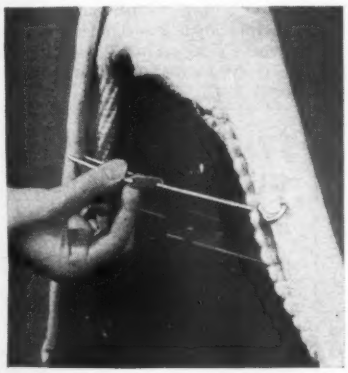
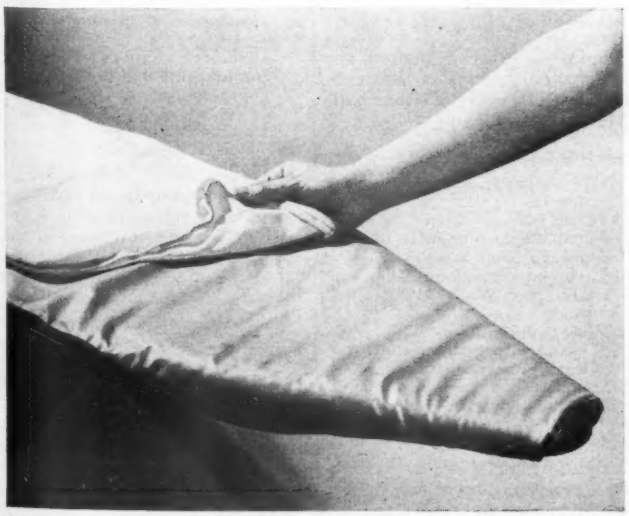
Bouncing buttons. Foam-rubber pad protects buttons; cushions snaps, embroidery, slide fasteners. Foam rubber also stays put on your board. Slick quilted top of the pad reflects heat for faster ironing. Note cover with elastic around edge. Three elastic bands, left, go underneath the board. They grip edges of cover, pull it smooth



Snug fit. The cord loops over wood rods inside hem of ironing-board cover. You pull on the cord, hook it like this.

Two more cords hold rest of cover drum-tight, too. Before you wash the cover, just slip out the wood rods.

This cover is a new scorch-resistant fabric. You can see the extra-thick, waffle-weave pad peeking out below.



Silver lining. Moisture from your clothes stays on surface of this pad, dries quickly from heat of your iron. When you steam-iron, moisture stays on top of pad, adds extra steam. Another pad (not shown) has an aluminum-foil top with tiny holes that let steam into layer below. Foil speeds ironing by reflecting heat into the clothes

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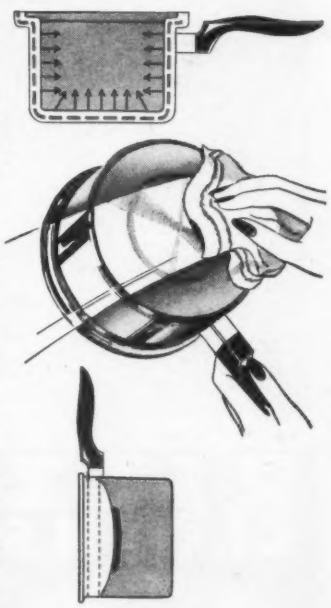

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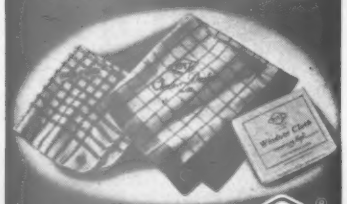

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Casserole quartet

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Saturday Noodle Bake

1 pound ground beef
½ pound ground pork
2 tablespoons butter or margarine
⅔ cup finely chopped onion
2 cans condensed tomato soup
1 3-ounce package cream cheese, diced
2 tablespoons sugar
1½ tablespoons Worcestershire sauce
2 teaspoons salt
¼ teaspoon pepper

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1 6-ounce package (2 cups) wide noodles

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1 cup crushed corn flakes
¼ cup butter or margarine, melted

Combine meats and brown lightly in 2 tablespoons butter; add onion and cook till tender but not brown. Add soup, cheese, sugar, and seasonings. Simmer 15 minutes. Meanwhile, cook noodles in boiling salted water till tender; drain. Place noodles in 11x7x2-inch baking dish. Pour sauce over. Mix corn flakes and ¼ cup butter; sprinkle over top. Bake in moderate oven (350°) about 15 minutes. Makes 8 servings.

Club Mushroom Casserole

1 pound fresh mushrooms
½ cup butter or margarine
⅓ cup enriched flour
3 cups milk
2 teaspoons Worcestershire sauce
1½ teaspoons salt
¼ teaspoon pepper
2 cups (½ pound) grated process American cheese
4 hard-cooked eggs, sliced
½ cup diced green pepper
1 4-ounce can pimiento, drained, diced

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Hot cooked rice or crisp toast

Slice mushrooms; cook in butter till tender but not brown. Push mushrooms to one side; blend in flour. Stir in milk gradually and cook, stirring constantly, till thick. Stir in remaining ingredients except rice. Pour into greased 10x6x2-inch baking dish. Bake in moderate oven (350°) 30 minutes, or till top is lightly browned. If desired, garnish with crescents of American cheese. Serve over hot rice or toast. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

Spring Luncheon Pie

1 12-ounce can luncheon meat, diced
¼ cup fat
½ cup chopped onion
2 chicken bouillon cubes
¼ cup enriched flour
1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
½ teaspoon salt
¼ teaspoon pepper
½ cup seasoned sliced cooked carrots
1 10-ounce package frozen succotash, cooked and drained

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1 recipe Parsley-biscuit Topper

Brown meat cubes slowly in hot fat; add onion and cook till tender but not brown. Dissolve bouillon cubes in 2 cups hot water. Sprinkle meat mixture with flour and mix lightly; stir in bouillon; cook until thick, stirring constantly. Add seasonings, carrots, and succotash; mix well. Pour into a 2-quart casserole. Trim with Parsley-biscuit Topper. Bake in hot oven (425°) 15 to 20 minutes. **Parsley-biscuit Topper:** To 1 cup packaged biscuit mix, add 2 tablespoons chopped parsley; make biscuit dough, following package directions. Roll in circle ½ inch thick; cut in 6 pie-shaped wedges and place atop the hot casserole mixture before baking. Makes 6 servings.

Ham 'n Egg Casserole

2 cups diced cooked or canned ham
6 hard-cooked eggs, sliced
1 can condensed cream of celery soup
¾ cup milk
¾ cup smoked process American cheese
1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
Dash cayenne

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½ cup dry bread crumbs
2 tablespoons melted butter or margarine

Alternate layers of ham and egg slices in a 1½-quart casserole. Combine soup and milk; add cheese, Worcestershire, and cayenne. Heat and stir till cheese is melted; pour over ham mixture. Mix bread crumbs and butter; sprinkle over top. Bake in moderate oven (375°) about 25 minutes, or till crumbs are brown. Makes 5 to 6 servings.

Give your meals a spring note

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Coconut Pineapple Bars

Serve as cookies or top with ice cream for dessert—

½ cup soft butter or margarine
¼ cup sugar
1¼ cups sifted enriched flour

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1 No. 2 can (2½ cups) crushed pineapple, well drained
1 well-beaten egg
½ cup sugar
1 tablespoon butter or margarine, melted
1½ cups shredded coconut, cut

Combine ½ cup butter and ¼ cup sugar with pastry-blender or fork. Add flour and mix until crumbs are formed. Then mix thoroughly with hands until soft dough forms. Press evenly in bottom of 9x9x2-inch pan, with about ½ inch extending up the sides. Prick bottom with fork. Bake in moderate oven (350°) 15 minutes, or until crust begins to brown. Remove from oven. Spread pineapple evenly over crust. To egg, add ½ cup sugar; beat until blended. Fold in 1 tablespoon melted butter and the coconut. Spread mixture evenly over the pineapple. Return to oven and bake 20 minutes longer, or until topping is lightly browned. Cool. Cut in 1½x3-inch bars. Makes 1½ dozen.

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Arithmetic can be fun

Here's how one father made a game of it for his school child

By Frederick B. Morse

Homework in arithmetic used to be drudgery for Linda, my daughter in the third grade. She had a series of schemes for getting sidetracked from her arithmetic homework. If these failed, her favorite remark was: "I don't see why I have to do that old, dumb, dopey arithmetic."

But all that is changed now! Here's the story of what happened.

Flash cards didn't help

Linda and her mother were in a bedroom working on arithmetic flash cards. Because of Linda's mood, the flash cards might as well have been tossed in the wastebasket for all the good they were doing her.

The thought struck me that we needed to make arithmetic fun for Linda. Arithmetic had to be interesting if the learning process were to be successful in competition with the pleasant distractions of a radio program, a comic book, or a game.

Why not a game with cards?

So I decided to make up a card game that would provide the same drill as the flash cards. I called to Linda and asked if she would like to play cards. She took the gambit and bounded into the living room.

Make the game a challenge

While I was stalling for time, I discarded the face cards from a standard deck of cards and spun a yarn about how I used to play this card game when I was in the fourth grade. Her beaming face seemed to say, "Daddy played this game when he was in the fourth grade. Now he's going to teach it to me, and I'm only in the third grade."

I had offered Linda a challenge, and with that motivation we were going to get someplace with arithmetic—providing I could dream up a card game. So I dealt the remaining cards between us and hastily formulated a simple card game. The rules we used that first evening are as follows:

How we played the game

We call the game "sub-add," and the title tells the players that they must subtract before they add. Each player is dealt half the deck and stacks his cards face down in front of him.

Then the players turn up one of their cards, and the player having the lowest card must subtract the number on his card from the number on his opponent's card. If he

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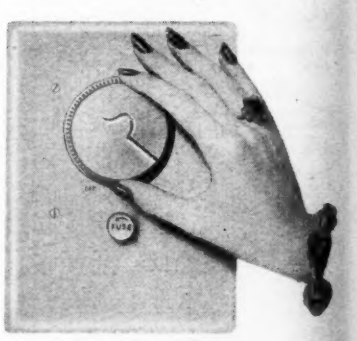

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Accessories add personality to a room

By Ann F. FitzPatrick

The old rule about "few and large" is always a good one to keep in mind. You'll find you'll enjoy your nice things more if you change your arrangements from time to time

Photographs: Hedrich-Blessing

A lesson in balance is given by the table-and-picture grouping. The painting is hung over one end of the long drop-leaf table. For balance, all accessories, including the lamp, are grouped at the opposite end, near the wall and old rocking chair

Display your nice things and use them, too. Pine dry sink not only stores china, but the deep wood tones are an effective background for choice pieces of a collection of white ironstone. Prints have pine frames

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By Jackson Hand

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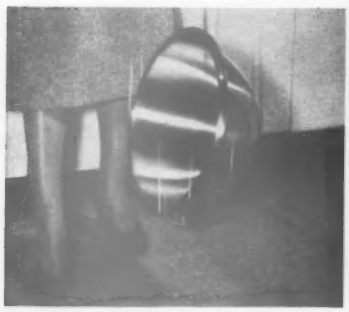

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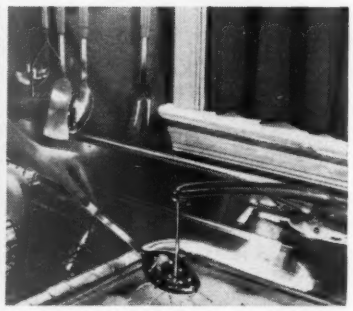

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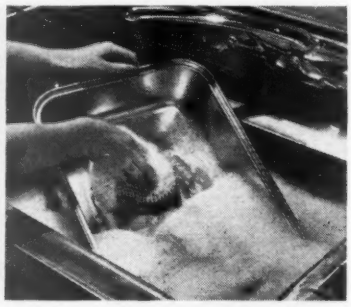

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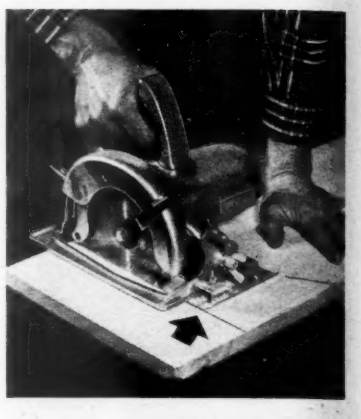
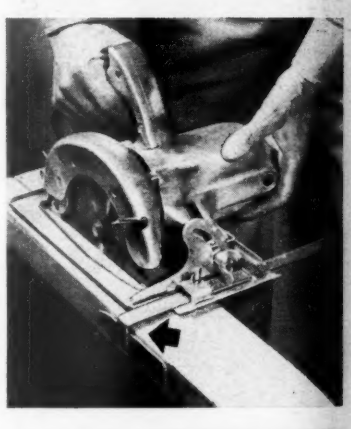


Follow line (arrow) with a portable electric saw the same as with a handsaw.

Most models have easy-to-see point which runs along the line. Saw seems heavy at first, but since the stock it rests on carries its weight, you quickly learn to handle it with confidence.

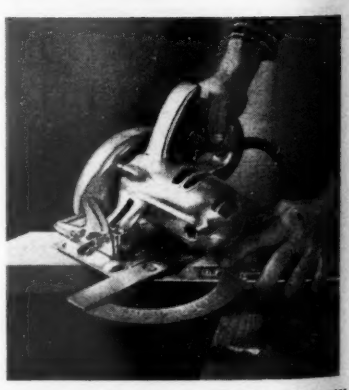
You'll also find that after a few weeks practice with the saw, you can operate it as well left-handed as right.



Rip fence for portable saw is adjustable for width of the cut (arrow).

Then you merely guide the fence along the edge of the board you are ripping. With narrow stock, it is often a help in guiding the saw to support the motor end with your free hand as you cut.

Spring-type safety guard snaps shut over the saw blade after the cut has been made, giving added protection.



Saw protractor is accessory with degrees calibrated on its arc. In using it, you don't bother to mark angles on the stock you'll cut.

Instead, you set it to the proper degree, mark the position of cutoff, and follow the blade of the protractor.

Protractor also works when you cut any compound miter, more accurately than you could cut them by following a line marked on the stock.

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Shoe can be adjusted for bevel cuts

Bevel cuts with the portable saw, shown here making a compound miter, are done by adjusting the shoe to the required angle and locking it on the calibrated arc (arrow).

This tilts the saw. It still rides on the shoe, and cutting motion is the same as when straight crosscutting.

Free hand helps guide the saw for accurate cuts. Wing nuts are easy to loosen for saw adjustments, hold shoe tightly in angled position.

Pocket cuts are easy to make with portable electric saws. With saw in position, you use free hand to lift safety guard partially out of way.

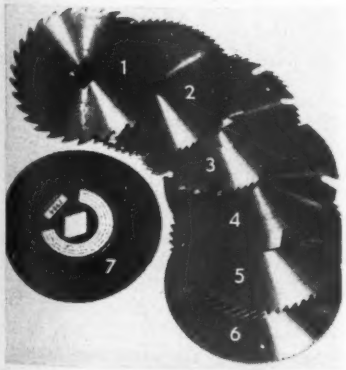
Then start the motor and lower the blade slowly into the stock. Once the shoe is flat on the surface, you complete the straight cuts.

Corners are cleaned out with a regular handsaw as soon as cuts are made. Release trigger and let blade stop before you lift saw out.

Take it with you to the job, when the job is immobile. Or use it for cuts in the shop, on lumber or sheet materials too large and bulky to handle on a regular saw table.

Between jobs, you can keep the saw in a metal carrying case with room planned for extra saw blades, wrenches, or other accessories.

Case is made of durable material, and is designed to fit small storage spaces.



Special-duty blades include 1) rip, 2) crosscut, 3) combination, 4) carbide-tipped, 5) flooring, 6) fine-tooth for nonferrous metals, and 7) abrasive wheel.

Wrench is provided with saw for changing blades, a simple take-off, put-on job.

Combination blade serves the purpose for most of your cutting jobs, though rip and abrasive wheel are handy.

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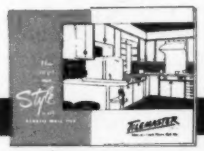

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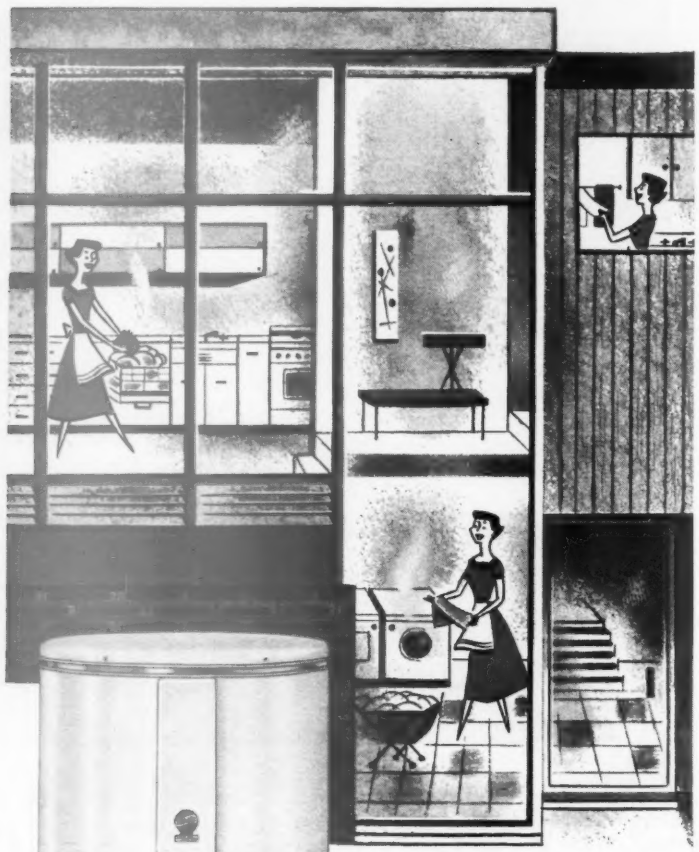

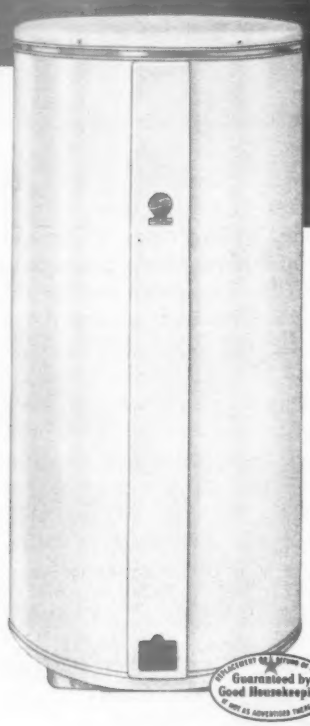

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15 fast jobs with portable power tools

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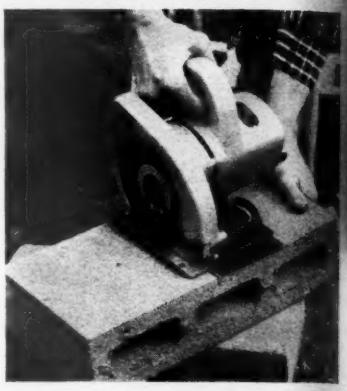
This table saw results from mounting a portable electric saw in the special accessories several sawmakers provide.

Saw is fastened with machine screws underneath the table, and it can be raised and lowered for depth of cut just like regular table saw.

Tables come with ripping fence and a miter gauge, and are of rugged construction, though lightweight so they can be easily moved about.



Abrasive wheels on portable electric saw let you score brick or block for accurate breaking—cut sheet metal—plastics—and a wide range of similar materials.

The saw manufacturers provide wheels adapted to specific types of materials to cut.

By using the proper kind of wheel for the job, you increase your speed and accuracy when handling materials that are hard to cut.

Chain saw is variation of portable electric saw which has its teeth spaced along an endless chain similar to that of a regular bicycle.

As it is driven around its steel frame, the chain blade makes firewood fast out of logs, posts, and tree limbs.

Saw appears heavy, but is actually light but rugged. Motor operates from trigger switch in the handle like other portable saws.

Put electric tools in your shop planning

- Portable electric tools give you more speed and accuracy than you get from their equivalents in hand tools—although less than would derive from corresponding stationary power tools.
- In planning a workshop as an over-the-years project, therefore, you should give portable tools earnest consideration. (See *Better Homes & Gardens*, March 1954, page 231, for a full discussion of the electric drill and its accessories—page 250 of the May, 1954, issue for the versatile portable router. Along with the tools discussed in this issue, they round out the types best suited to handyman needs.)
- Some portable electric tools are the ultimate for any man's shop. Some of them might be considered temporary—to be relegated to auxiliary use when an equivalent stationary tool can be added. Some are so out-and-out useful, owing to their portability, that they should enter into your planning almost with your first handyman job.

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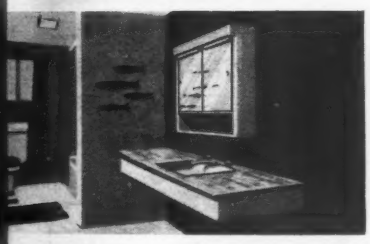
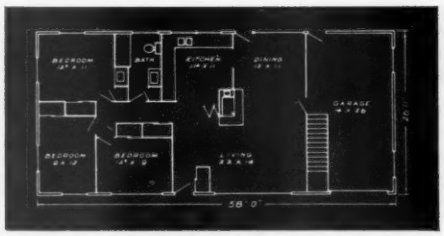


This compartmented bath with modern vanity and sound-conditioned ceiling is typical of Modern's styling.



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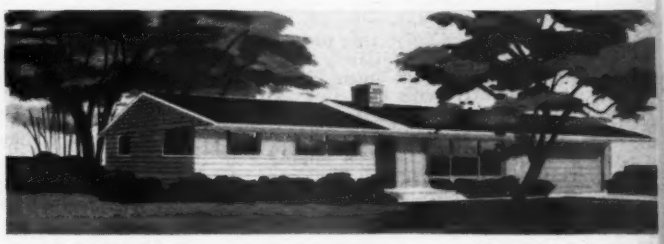

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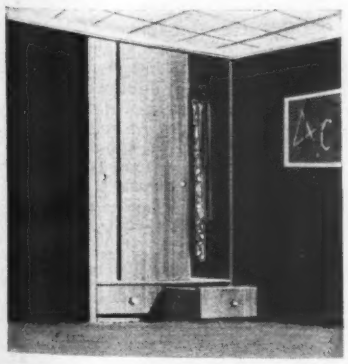

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New kitchen curtains

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Buttoned loops, shown in *upper-right picture, page 82.*

Measure window. Cut fabric into three even tiers. Use sturdy muslin so curtains can take lots of washing and still keep crisp look. After hemming, sew a 3-inch patterned band across each tier, about 1½ inches from bottom edge. A heavy weight at each corner will make the curtains hang in neat, orderly fashion.

To make loops, cut rectangles of fabric 3x4 inches; fold in half lengthwise, make point at one end, machine-stitch along it and open side of strip; invert; press. Sew strips, looping each, at even intervals across top of curtain. Sew on 1-inch covered button. Button and loop are sewed down, but if you prefer, make a buttonhole at end of point.

Lavender-blue curtains, *bottom photograph, page 82.*

The three tiers of these curtains should all be the same length. For center tier, use a bold pattern such as the chintz "pictures" shown. For top and bottom tiers, use a subdued but related pattern as the medallion design.

Hem the sides, top, and bottom of each tier. Make pinch pleats by sewing on special pleating tape, following instructions given by manufacturer. Or, if you like, make your own pinch pleats.

For curtain on door, measure window. Then cut panel about 1½ times as wide and 5 inches longer than window. Mark 1½ inches in at center of top and bottom; then cut a curve from sides into that point. Hem sides, and make a 1-inch casing at top and bottom, along curved edges.

Push rods through casings, and hang at window. Curtain should now be taut down the middle, loose on the sides. Tie in the center with bow of matching fabric, which will take up the slack in the sides.

Arithmetic can be fun

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gives the right answer, he scores a point; if he gives an incorrect answer, his opponent scores a point—if he calls out the correct answer.

Subtraction first

As an example, if Linda turns up a 4 and I turn up a 10, she must subtract 4 from 10. If she says "6," she scores a point. If she says some other number, I call out "6," and the point is scored for me.

The game continues until all the cards have been played. Then the cards are shuffled and dealt again.

Addition next round

As before, each player turns up one of his cards and the player with the lowest card has the opportunity to try for a point. Now, he must add the numbers on each card.

For example, if Linda turns up a 7 and I turn up an 8, she must say "7 and 8 are 15" to score a point. If she makes a mistake and says "7 and 8 are 16," then I score a point by saying, "No, 7 and 8 are 15."

Make mistakes on purpose

The game proceeds until one player wins by scoring 25 points. We have also played and declared the winner to be the player who scores the most points after the subtract-and-add playing has been completed.

Hilarity reigns, of course, when I am caught saying "7 take away 2 is 4." So far, I have been successful with such blunders, and it certainly adds interest to the game.

Several evenings later, we developed the game further by using the face cards and letting the J, Q, and K be assigned 11, 12, and 13 respectively.

Another successful variation is to use the deck without face cards and say that all red cards are "teen" cards. For example, the 4's of hearts and diamonds become 14 and the red 9's become 19, and so forth.

If three persons play

Three can also play the game. The player turning up the lowest card can score a point by correctly subtracting the value of his card from the number of the highest card showing.

On the "add" playing, a score is made if the player having the lowest card correctly totals the value of the three cards turned up.

Multiplying and dividing, too

The game was easily extended to cover multiplication and division. If two were playing, they first decided what the multiplier would be, and then the player with the lowest card turned up used the

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Accessories add personality to a room

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A touch of the Contemporary in the candle sconce blends with the Early American accessories. When you have a highly or over-all patterned background, it's always a good idea to keep the things in front of it plain or simple so they won't become "lost" in pattern

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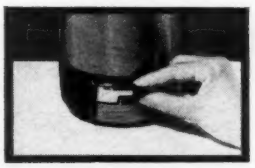

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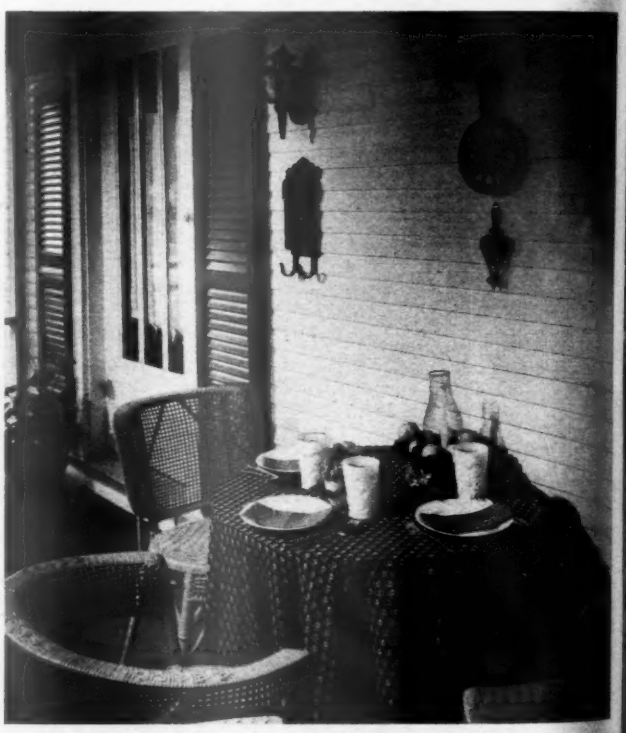

Cool eating is the rule on this screened porch. Even here, the accessories haven't been forgotten. The mailbox and light are balanced by the two trivets. The black of these items is perfect with the watermelon-pink shutters and the large, large geranium by the front door

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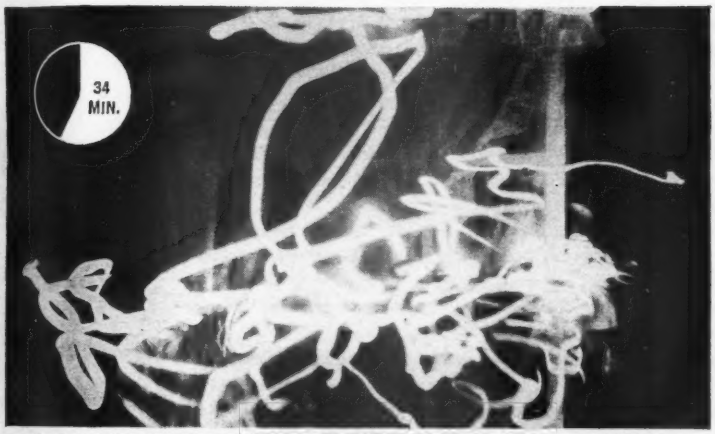

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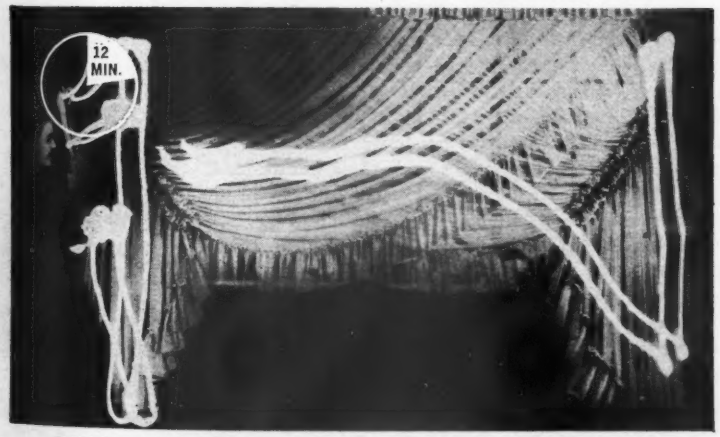

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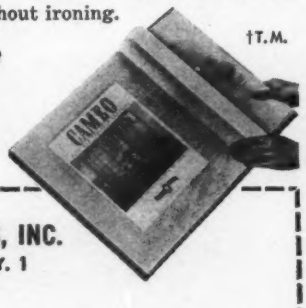

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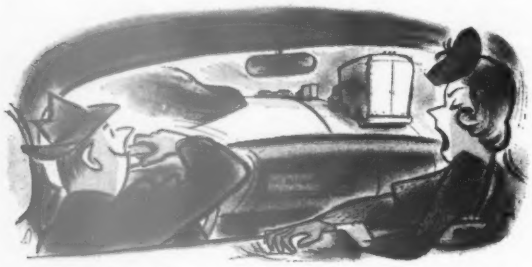

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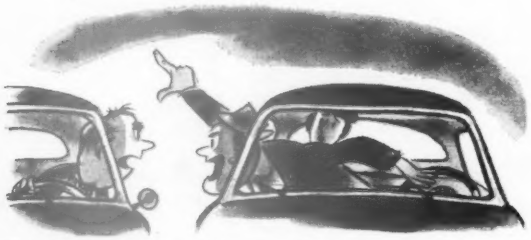

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Driving late at night

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We may never wreck our cars, but some of us wreck our wives' nerves. Here's a report from women on what husbands can do to make driving more fun, less strain

By Edward D. Fales, Jr.

"Yes, and he got mad. He said, 'What's the matter? Don't you have any confidence in me?' I do have confidence in him. He's never had a wreck yet—except my nerves. But how can I explain?"

Some wives actually get ill after traffic scares. Many get headaches, indigestion, cold hands. A wife in Niles, Michigan, gets "the shakes." Another, in Georgia, gets hiccups when father takes the wheel.

And a woman in Salisbury, Connecticut, gets "pains in the vicinity of my heart" when her husband tries to overtake three cars at once. ("No," she said, "I've never told him.")

The truth is, of course, it's not all Father's fault. Even husbands get nervous in that unguarded suicide seat—where a sudden stop can send you through the windshield.

And that's the seat the wife has always occupied. Special foot rests, or shoulder straps, may give wives a sense of security. Short women have no way to brace their feet. And at least one wife who uses a shoulder harness regularly says it has eliminated her nervousness.

But the problem goes deeper than that, men. Perhaps one clue may be this: *Wives of truck drivers seem to have no fear when their husbands drive.*

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They've stopped "sticking their necks out" in traffic.

What makes them nervous

To get at the facts, *Better Homes & Gardens* asked 300 wives to say, frankly, what makes them nervous.

Sudden stops—and irritated husbands—led the list.

But whatever the cause, one wife in every three reported that traffic strains and scares leave her tense, tired, or headachy. Some bite their lips or fidget with their hands. And *nearly half* reported that they grind their feet into the floor, at least occasionally, to stop the car or push themselves back from danger. Others get glum, or argue. A woman in Kirkwood, Missouri, says, "I get cross as a grizzly bear."

Psychologist Alfred E. Moseley, a consulting psychologist, who has done driver research for the Harvard School of Public Health, says, "All this may mean that the emotional toll for wives on the highway may be pretty high."

When you see a wife go for an automobile ride with her husband, gentlemen, you should tip your hats. You *may* be looking at a heroine. [*Turn to page 142*

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Drive without scaring your wife

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There are exceptions, and some women say they never get "nerves" in traffic. But for every one of these, five other wives often get nervous when we husbands drive. And a few get "downright scared."

Whatever the statistics, traffic experts are beginning to think that many wives suffer more frights on the highways than they ever let you know. Under some conditions, riding in the suicide seat day after day becomes an act of outright bravery. (Some husbands, for example, *deliberately* scare their wives by "stunts," such as grazing close to signs and obstructions in the road.)

This sort of thing is the exception. But even husbands who never try stunts may have wives who get jitters.

In the Pennsylvania mountains the other day, a husband was trying to "make up time." For two hours, he zipped around curves, squeezed past other cars, and rushed down steep hills.

"I was merely making the best of the road," he said. "I took no chances. Yet, after two hours of that, my wife was a wreck."

His wife admitted it.

Repeated frights, said Moseley, wear a woman down. "She can really suffer and become slightly ill. She can also become quite neurotic about driving with her husband under some conditions."

In part, your wife may suffer from sheer frustration. She sees what she thinks is danger—and can't do anything about it. Furthermore, if she's like a lot of other wives, she can't *say* anything.

"I'm afraid to open my mouth," said one. "If I even let out a slight squeak I become a back-seat driver," said another.

Thus, to our wives, gentlemen, being called a back-seat driver has become a fate worse than being in an auto wreck. There *is* a solution for this old back-seat driver problem—an excellent solution any family can use. But first, let's look in the mail and see what else our wives reported.

Here they are—the things that cause jitters, listed in order of the importance wives gave them:

1. *Hubby gets irritated.* Gentlemen, if what our wives say is true, we're an edgy lot. We get mad in traffic jams, but mostly we sound off to ourselves—and our wives—about the other fellow. "My man just cusses and fusses, and I have to listen," wrote one wife. Nearly 70 wives (or almost 1 in 4) told the same story.

2. *Sudden stops.* Sixty wives reported we still have the old-fashioned habit of zipping up to the car ahead and slamming our brakes on. Being expert drivers, you and I know we can make the old bus stop in time. But she doesn't. And so she digs in with her heels. Her blood pressure goes up a bit. If *you* see her little nervous heel movement, she says, you usually do one of four things:

a. You ignore it.

b. You say, "Relax, dear, I have the car under control."

c. You say, "Dear, would you like to drive a bit?"

d. Or you say, "Well, do *you* want to drive?" Some husbands, to quote their wives, even add, "Maybe *you* can do it better."

3. *Speed.* Nearly 60 wives said speed makes them nervous. Oddly, some of these also said *slow* driving gives them fidgets.

4. *Driving late at night.* This worries nearly as many wives as speed, especially if you're tired and may fall asleep.

5. *Trying to make time.* In fast traffic, this bothers 1 in 6.

6. *Snow, rain, or dirt covering the windshield.*

7. *Cutting in and out.*

8. *Suddenly stepping on the gas.* Many wives want "even," or "steady," driving.

9. *Risk of being arrested.* This troubles a surprising number of wives.

10. *Trying to beat other cars at traffic lights.*

11. *Arguments with other drivers.*

12. *Driving after drinking.*

13. *Noise of heavy traffic.*

14. *Untidy cars.*

15. *Squalling children and radios.*

If she isn't nervous enough

The 300 wives trotted out a few more delicate points:

Open-air debates. Some drivers shout what they call educational comments for the benefit of other drivers. They are largely a thing of the past. But according to the ladies, the fine old art still flickers up now and then.

Turns. "Please slow down on those turns," pleaded a wife in

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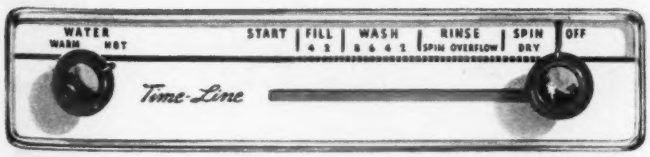

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Screens star as problem solvers

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Decorator: Forest of the Crescent

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Screen off a hallway; hide a view

A decorative screen is used in this living room to direct traffic from front door (at right out of photograph) to the bedroom hall. It also hides the bathroom door. Note how the screen creates a background for the loveseat and the conversational grouping. From the home of Decorator Ralph V. Summy, A.I.D., Houston

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Screens star as problem solvers

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You can even use screens to hide your furnace. Here's how one family did it to improve a basement recreation room

A handsome screen of plywood paneling projects out into the recreation room to camouflage the furnace. The entire end of the basement room couldn't be blocked off, as door at left leads to the garage. Another door in the same area opens into the laundry room. The home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Francisco, Madeira, Ohio

Lightweight unit rolls aside on casters, so furnace can be reached easily when necessary. The screen is hinged to strip of wood fastened to basement wall (see strip near curtains in picture at top of page). A grilled vent at the top permits heat to come into the playroom. Large vent at the bottom admits air into the space

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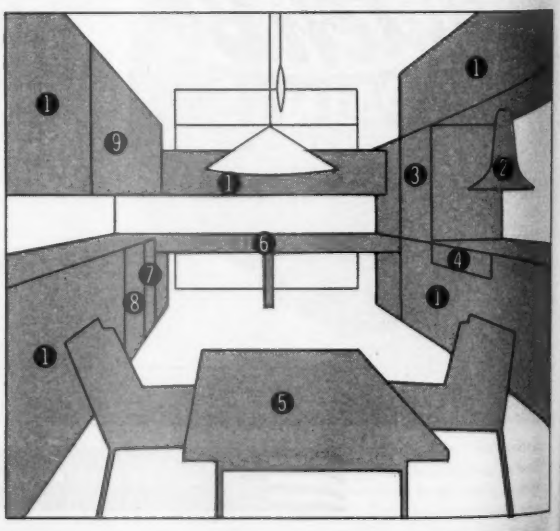

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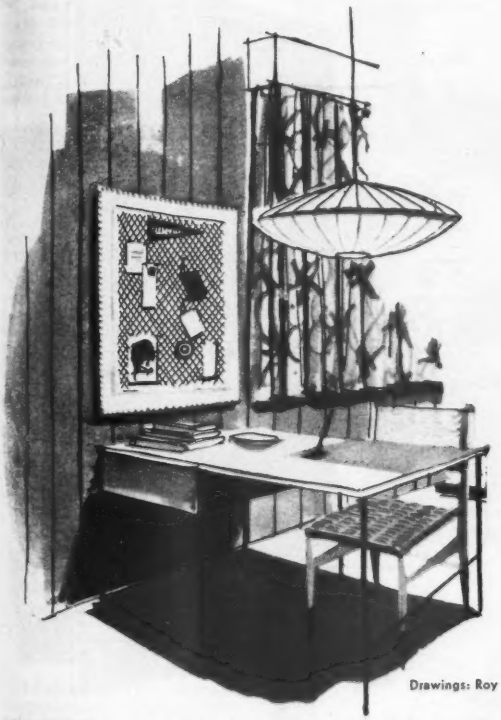

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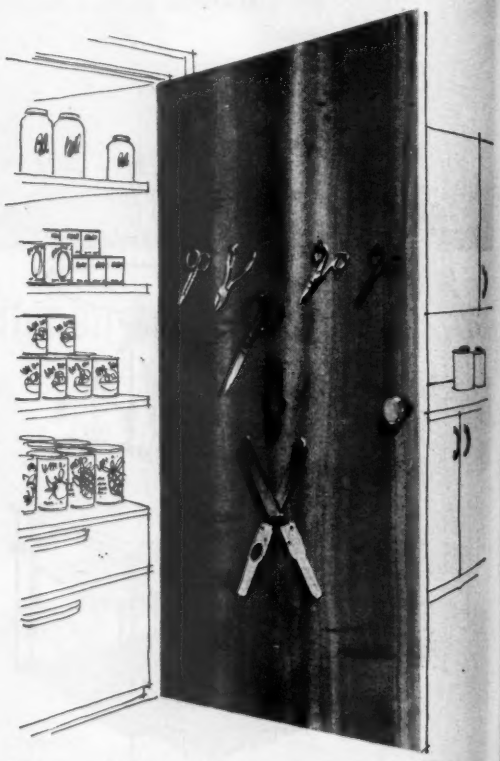

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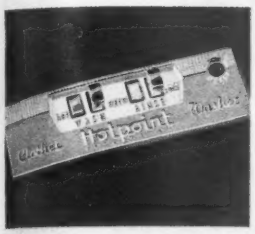

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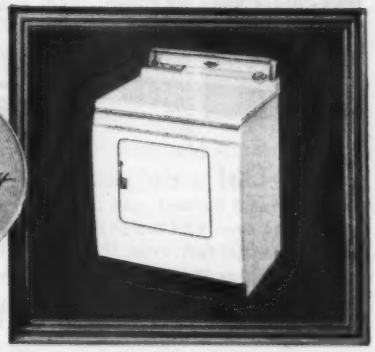

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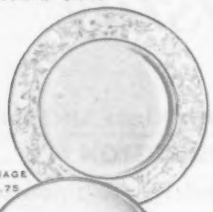

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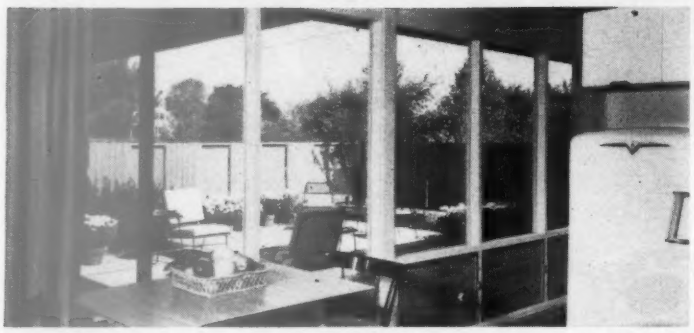

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This shop gets the job done

Over-and-under cabinets provide storage for bulky objects below, with portable electric tools and the shop library above. Counter is tapered, to give wider aisle between it and the workbench. File contains instruction books, catalogs. Jog in wall (background) ducks around some warm-air ducts—preplanned as ideal spot for a lathe

Special benches were designed for each power tool. They hold all its accessories and allied equipment. Dust bins are a part of each bench, as in the case of this one for the lathe. It has an open top, and the upper drawer catches shavings. Bins are big, only need emptying occasionally. Tools hang nearby—so they're *always* hanging up, instead of lying loose on lathe bed. Lathe is leveled, is not on casters

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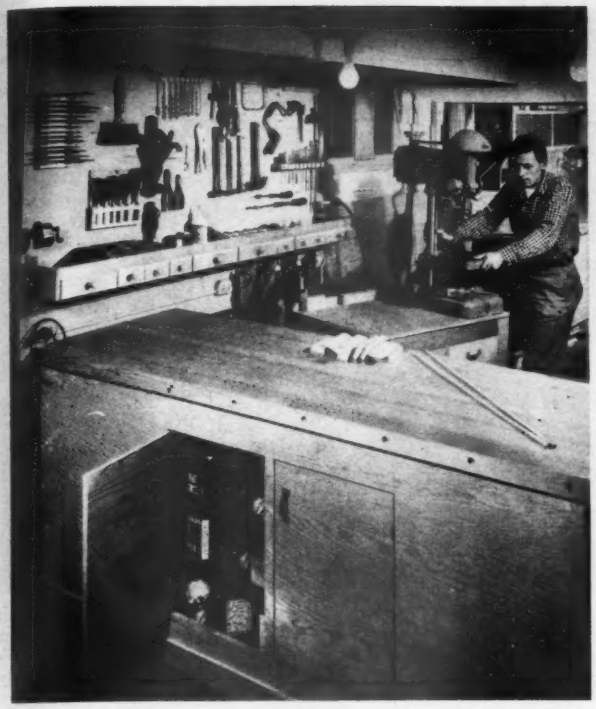

All power tools are located where they work best in the shop—but all are on casters so they can be moved in close for handier operation. Workbench is a peninsula, available from front, back, one end. Tool board is on wall at other end. View shows door open, revealing storage shelves. Every cubic inch of space inside bench is utilized

Since a vise would interfere with drawers located below it, the space here is made accessible by drawers and cabinet that open at the end of bench. One feature is an electrical outlet inside one drawer, for drill which plugs in there. Put drill away by putting it and its cord in the drawer—ending forever the problem of storing a drill

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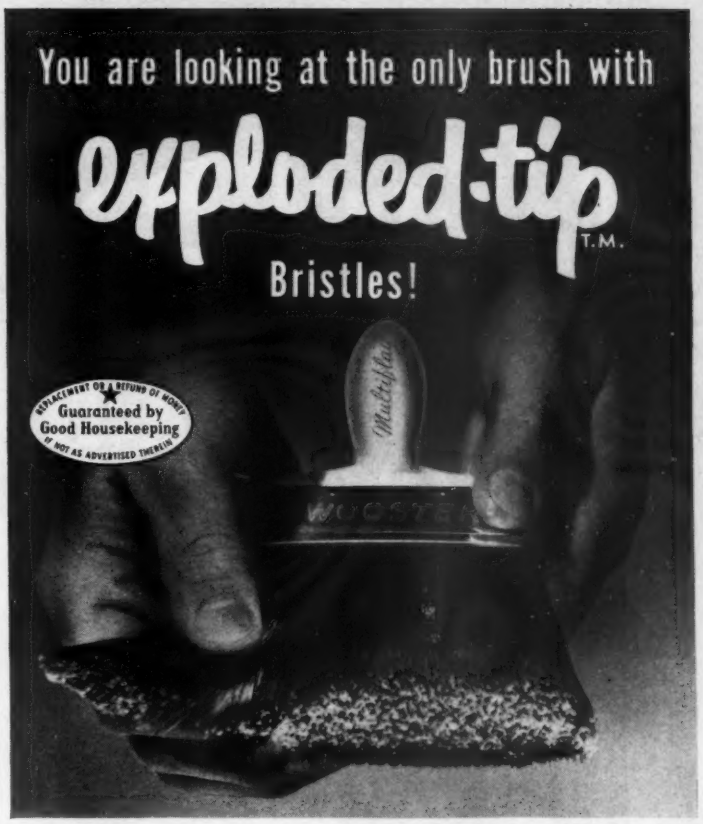

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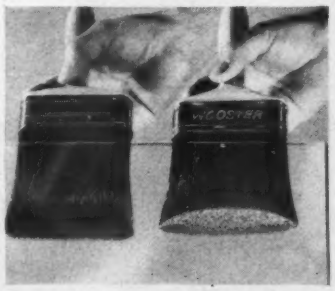

PLATE GLASS TEST shows how the new Wooster Multiflag Brush (right) gives greater coverage than ordinary brush (left). *Exploded-tip* bristle ends form mass contact to lay paint smoother.

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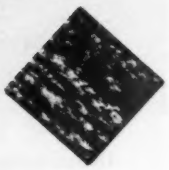

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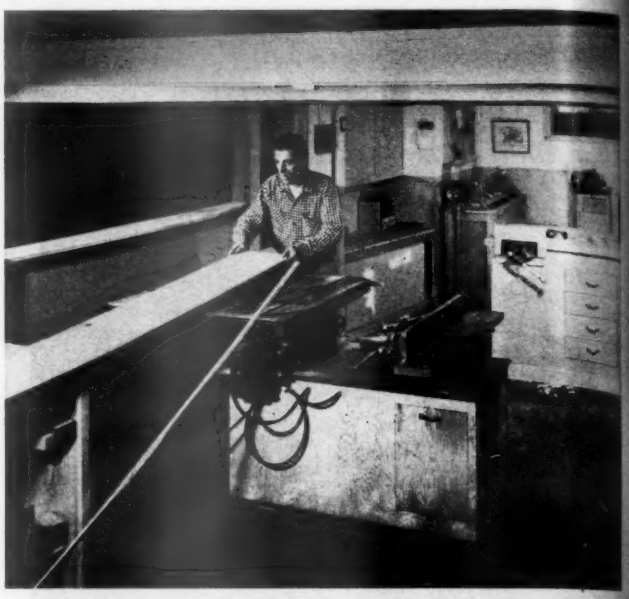


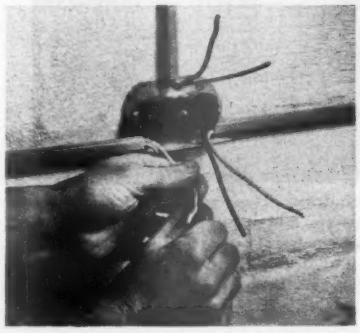
Principle of the "two saw" shop is illustrated here, in ease with which stock slides from one to the other. One saw can be rigged for one job, cooperating with a setup on the other. Versatility of radial-arm saw's accessories gets full use, since other saw is always ready

Ceiling is bright and noise to upstairs is less as a result of regular ceiling tile put on the existing joists.

Staple gun sped the job, with 16x16-inch tile chosen to match spacing of joists.

White paint camouflaged the beams that dropped below the level of ceiling tile. All such beams and ducts are white.

Wood construction elsewhere in shop was given coat of clear wood preservative.



Separate electrical lines (in raceways) bring in power for lights and tools.

Outlets are spaced around walls at about 4-foot height, handy to plug into. At bench, there are three outlets.

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Do your old-type doors cause a traffic jam?

Modernfold's new folding doors do a beautiful job of making rooms roomier

THINK of all the floor space, the wall space, the beauty your home gives up to awkward door swing. Now see how the graceful new "Spacemaster" door by MODERNFOLD makes wonders happen! Folding *inside* the doorway, it stays out of your way. It brings "dead" corners to life. It never bangs or bumps. It washes easily, won't fade. Truly this handsome folding door opens up a new world of spacious, gracious living.

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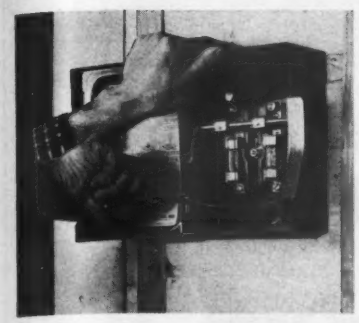
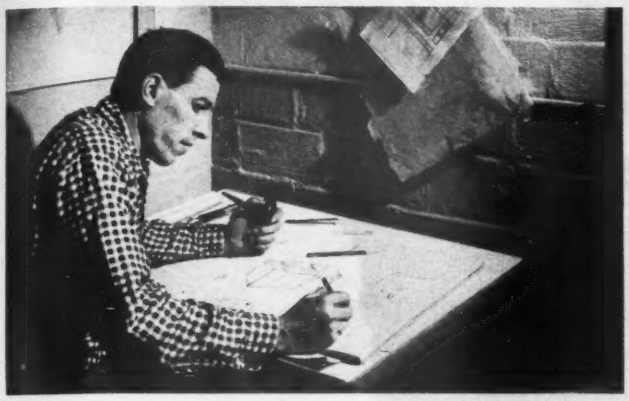


Master switch beside door is fused to carry load of the entire shop motors and lights.

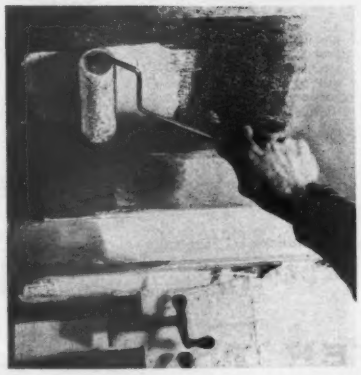
When you leave, this one switch kills all lights and outlets. Nothing can ever be left on accidentally, and tools are "dead" to kids.



Planning center in the workshop is a regular drawing board, equipped with drawing instruments you need to prebuild your projects on paper. Triangles, and so on, are racked on wooden pegs in the masonry. Spindles on wall ahead of table hold drawings that are in progress

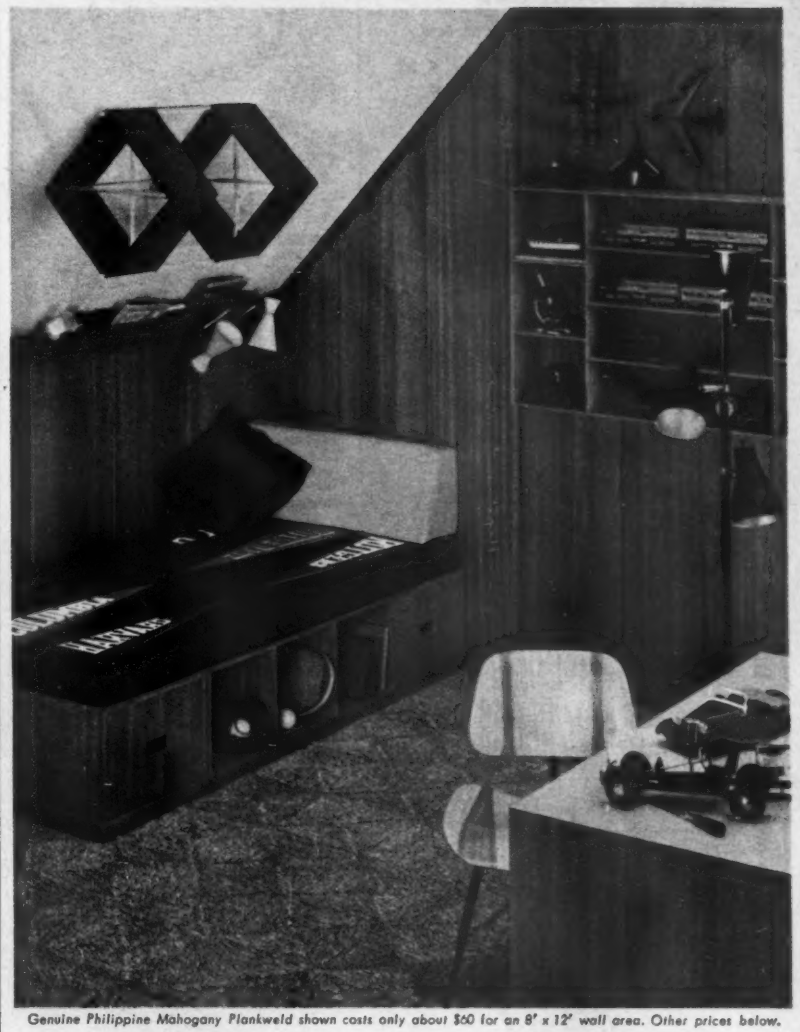
When you plan—really plan your storage. Shelves here are spaced so that a gallon container tips out easily.

Before you make built-in provision for them, put a ruler on the things you'll store.



One-third of shop space came from hard work of digging out crawl space under the front porch of the house.

Regular insulating sheathing was nailed under porch floor, to provide insulation, then rolled white.



Genuine Philippine Mahogany Plankweld shown costs only about $60 for an 8' x 12' wall area. Other prices below.

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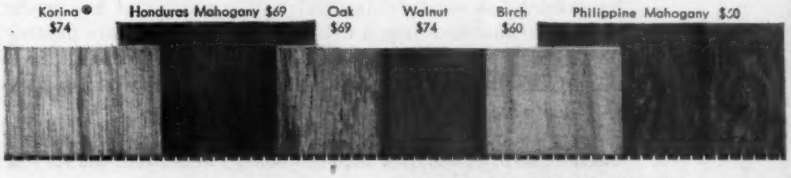

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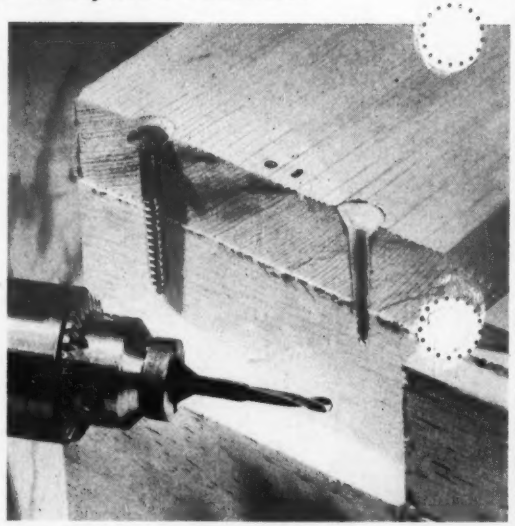
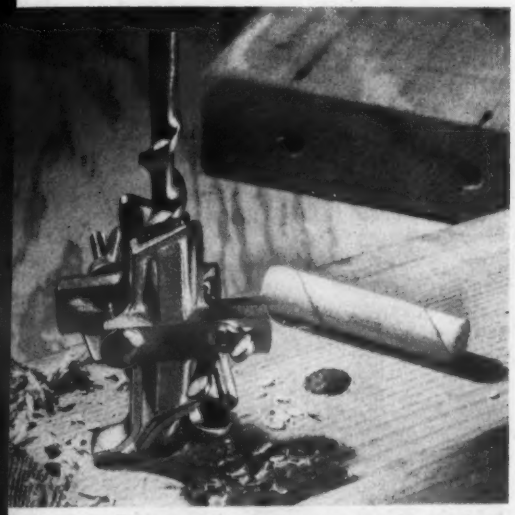
Variety of boring tools expands handyman's abilities

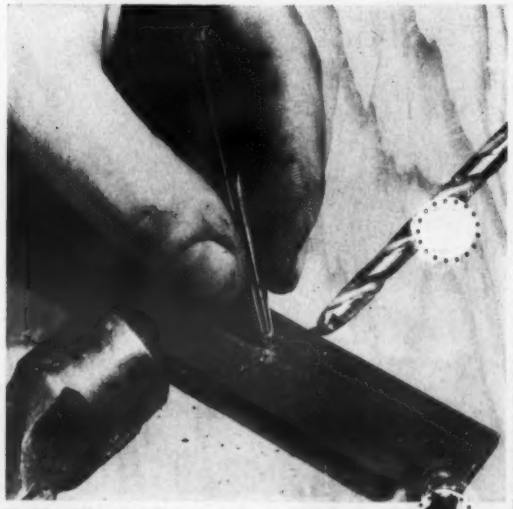
Hole saw cuts holes larger than regular bits, comes in assorted sizes. Pilot drill starts it in wood or metal that isn't too thick. Teeth leave clean sides in stock, eliminate splintered and chipped surfaces. Force in material slowly



Screw bits correspond to shapes of screws, and bore and countersink perfect wood-screw holes in one drilling operation. Round shank locks in the chuck of your hand drill or ¼-inch power outfit. They are also made for metal



Bit gauge lets you bore holes of equal depth for mortises, dowels, hinges, etc. To set, measure from cutting lips of bit to depth wanted and clamp with thumbscrews. Or you can mark bit at right depth with masking tape



Drill will not slip on metal or hard wood surfaces if you center-punch hole in material first. Hole should be big enough to accept tip of bit. With nonskid accuracy, sharp rap with hammer puts hole where you want it

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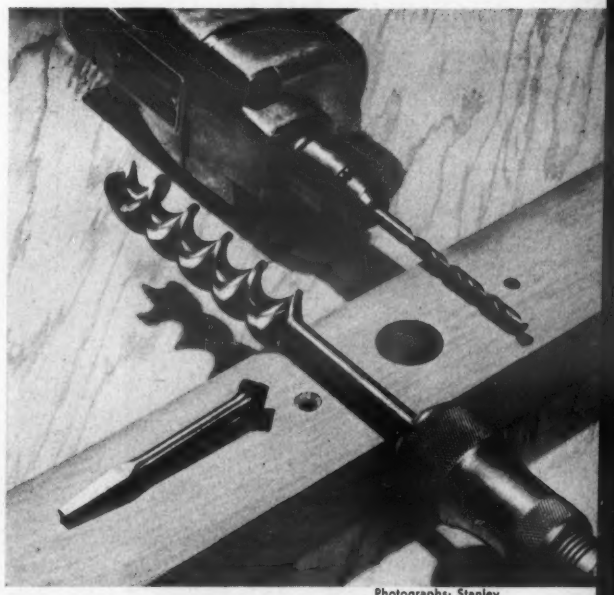

Basic bits are the auger (center) for large holes in wood, and twist drills (right) for smaller holes in either wood or metal.

Countersinks bevel the holes so flathead screws fit flush in stock.

Photographs: Stanley

Tools to make your boring jobs easier

THE FAMILY of drills, bits, and braces is a large one. Some of these save you time —some perform such mechanical magic that they rate hanger space on your tool board—others are so indispensable you'll want to add them to your workshop equipment. Here's a roundup of them in action, showing how they can make your woodworking projects better and easier.

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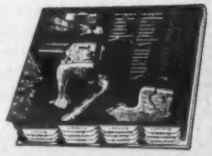

Fold here

Proper balance and leverage are key to using brace and bit

Increase cutting speed of auger bits by placing weight against brace, as pictured. Good way is half-kneeling for horizontal boring and leaning into the brace for vertical jobs. Remove bit often to clear chips that clog it

Bit extension gives regular bit added length for boring holes deeper than bit would reach without it. Square shank clamps into extension by adjusting sleeve (arrow). Angle brace here is made for jobs next to walls, ceilings

Ratchet brace is best for all-around handyman use—lets you bore holes next to walls, ceilings, and other places where crank can't make complete turn. Flick of knurled collar (arrow) sets the ratchet to turn either way

Expansive bit cuts 1- to 3-inch holes by adjusting extension cutters. Screw must be tight to keep cutters from slipping when bit is forced into lumber. Interchangeable short and long cutters give you a big range of sizes

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Special drills add versatility to your boring tools

Using hand drill is fast and easy way to bore small holes in wood or metal. Start holes in wood with bradawl first to keep drill from slipping. Center-punch metal. Exert even pressure on the drill and turn the crank slowly

High-speed drills—made of carbon steel—work equally well in breast, hand, and power drills, cut quick holes in metal and extremely hard woods. "Lean" into curved plate of a breast drill to increase its cutting power

Push drill is made to order for drilling pilot holes for screws, brads, nails, and many more small jobs. Spiral drive operates smoothly in all woods—returns the handle after each stroke. Handle contains a large variety of drills

Holes in masonry are easy with carbide-tipped drill or with star drill. Carbide-tipped bit in power unit has spiral flutes that remove powdered dust. To keep dust from clogging hole, twist the star drill as you hammer it in

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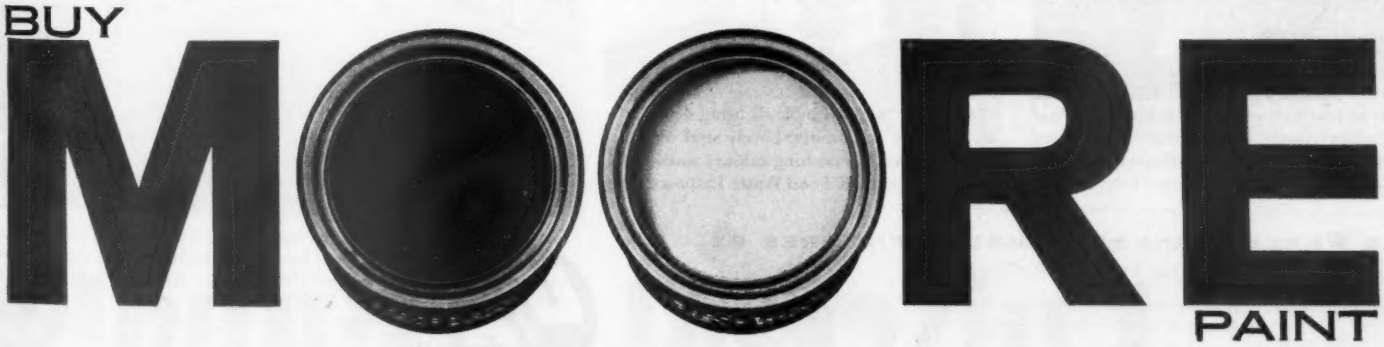

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How to stretch space

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The two children's bedrooms are identical in size (11½x10) and layout. In the corner of the wardrobe, wood slab is tailored to alcove for a desk. Or, for teen-ager, a dressing table. The bulletin board is a sure-fire device for the myriad of things children have to pin on walls. The floor covering is a striated linoleum with a washable cotton rug

Same wearing qualities are carried into other daughter's room. Windows get large in house wherever rooms face the view and privacy of the rear yard and garden, as children's rooms do. Old chest was refinished, and faces of drawers were painted multicolors. The absence of detail in both bedrooms is balanced by the smacking use of color

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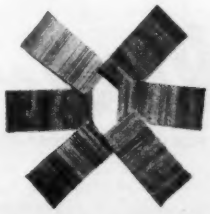

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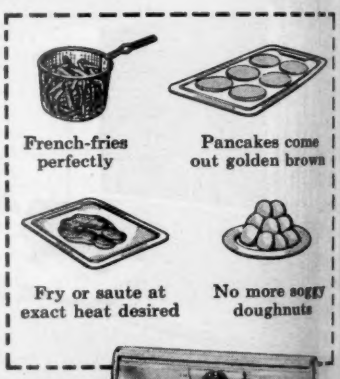

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How to stretch space

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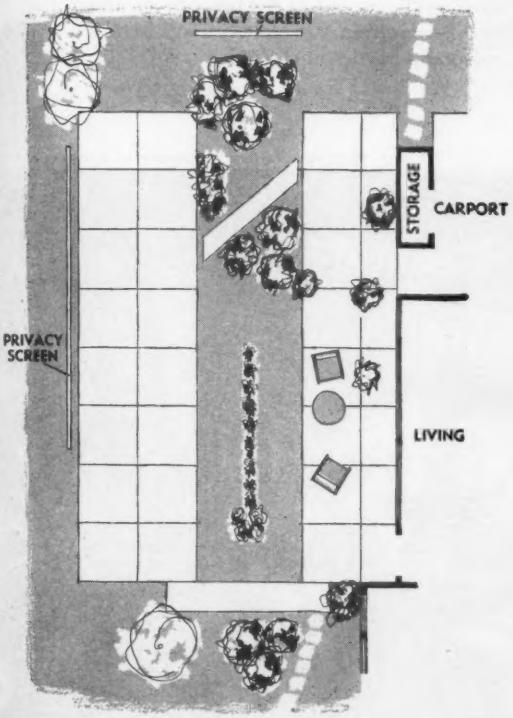

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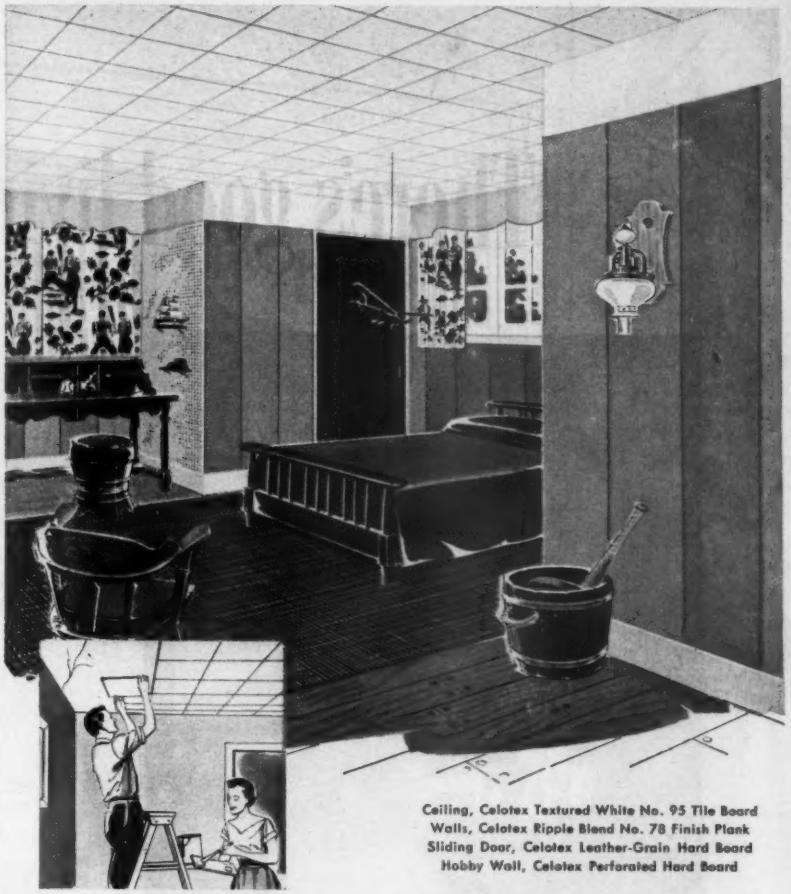

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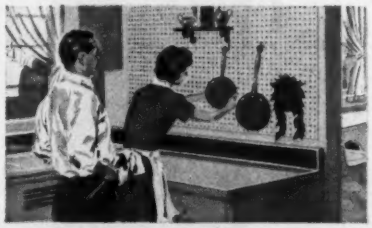

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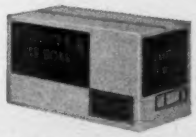

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There's good living in a basement

By Eugenia White

Good light and comfortable easy chairs make this a popular reading area, with snack bar handy at left. The similarity of patterns in carpet and upholstery makes room look larger. Basement rooms are ideal places to use fiber or hemp rugs

A basement living room can be the favorite gathering place for family fun, or it can turn into a haven for dust-catching odds and ends of cast-off furniture. If your basement is due for a face lifting, you'll be inspired by the results the R. E. Mattisons of Oklahoma City achieved when they turned theirs into the most popular room in their home.

They began from scratch with new furniture. But don't let that discourage you if you want to use furniture you already have. New slipcovers and paint can bring it up to date. Purge unneeded things which have a habit of migrating to the basement, and concentrate on making the room comfortable and decorative.

If you want to, you can include facilities for eating, hobbies, reading, and entertaining. If you can set up a snack bar, you'll save steps when you're entertaining.

When you decide to rescue a basement, carefully consider the functions you want this new-found room to accommodate. If it's to be a second living room, the furnishings and arrangement will be different from a basement that's to take children's rough-and-ready parties and play.

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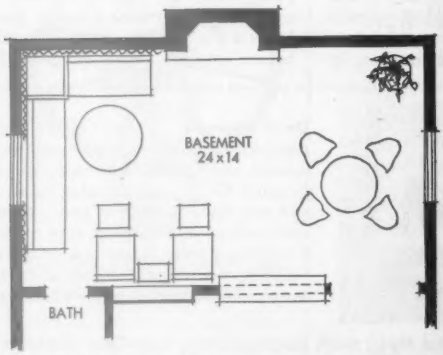

Furniture is arranged in three groups for reading, conversation, and eating or games. It's a flexible plan, as dining chairs can be used in conversation circle, or footstools moved over as fireside benches

Basement windows have upstairs treatment, with floor-length draperies that turn the corner and cover a bare wall to make a soft background for the sofa-and-table grouping.

If you have high basement windows, try cafe curtains to help you disguise the size of windows.

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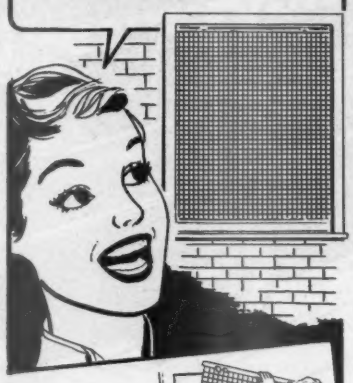

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Speed up your young dawdler

By Mary Jean Tapscott

If you have a child who's a dawdler, it may be of some comfort to realize that you're not alone. Teachers and psychiatrists tell us this habit of "poking" is one of the most common, and most trying, of all problems of school-age children. But what to do about it?

You could, I suppose, ignore it, realizing that, in time, "this, too, will pass."

But our 5-year-old's tardiness, daydreaming, and general "what's-the-big-rush-Mom" attitude was not only nerve-wracking to him and us, it was a downright inconvenience, with school and work schedules to be met.

By talking to people who had weathered the problem, and by no little experimenting on our own, we arrived at a solution which, if not 100 percent foolproof, at least helped the situation at our house. The key: organization.

By doing the required things in the same way, day after day, our 5-year-old developed habits of promptness we didn't dream were possible six months before.

Here's a typical routine for Steve, the ex-dawdler, and some of the do's and don'ts we learned along the way:

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Give your dawdler enough time so he doesn't feel rushed—but not so much that nothing is accomplished (that "I've-got-all-day" attitude). So Steve won't feel hurried or pushed, we plan many of his tasks ahead of time. For example, the night before a school day, after prayers and bath, we lay out his clothes, shine shoes, and check any extra items, such as a storybook, he may want to take to school

After he awakes in the morning, Steve follows a definite schedule—toileting, washing, teeth-brushing, dressing, picking up his room. This *must* be done before playing, or any other activity. By avoiding vague orders to "get yourself ready" and substituting a step-by-step program, this can become an accepted routine

A useful "prop" is this paper clock, which Steve himself made. It tells him when we eat breakfast, by which time he's to be dressed. By comparing this to the kitchen clock, he says he can "figger how much time he has left." Other mothers have reported success with charts and gold stars, but these inducements didn't work with us

After performing the routine of dressing, tidying up his room, and laying out extras for school, Steve knows he can play records, chat with his sister, or—joy of joys—watch his favorite morning TV show! His attitude is now so good he has even volunteered, occasionally, to set the table for breakfast and help his little sister dress

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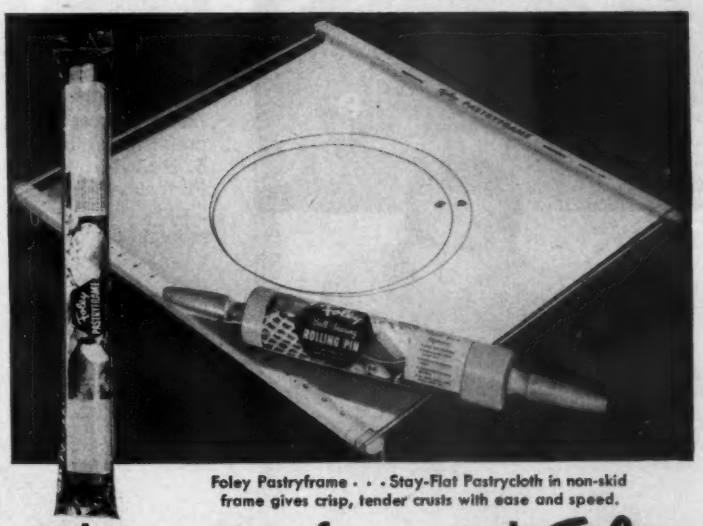

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Breakfast is at 7:15 promptly. This hard-and-fast rule was a little difficult for all of us, but we've found that setting a definite time and allowing for an unhurried breakfast are good for us family-wise.

The feeling of "family togetherness" has been as much a stimulus to promptness for Steve as the more tangible rewards, for, like all 5-year-olds, he's a great enthusiast for The Family.

By 8:30, he starts off for school, allowing himself plenty of time to pick up his pal, Randy, and make the long, 7-block walk to school. After breakfast, Steve may, if it's still early, watch his program or play with Sister until time to get wraps on for school. (Note to mothers: Be sure to allow enough time to put on those overshoes!)

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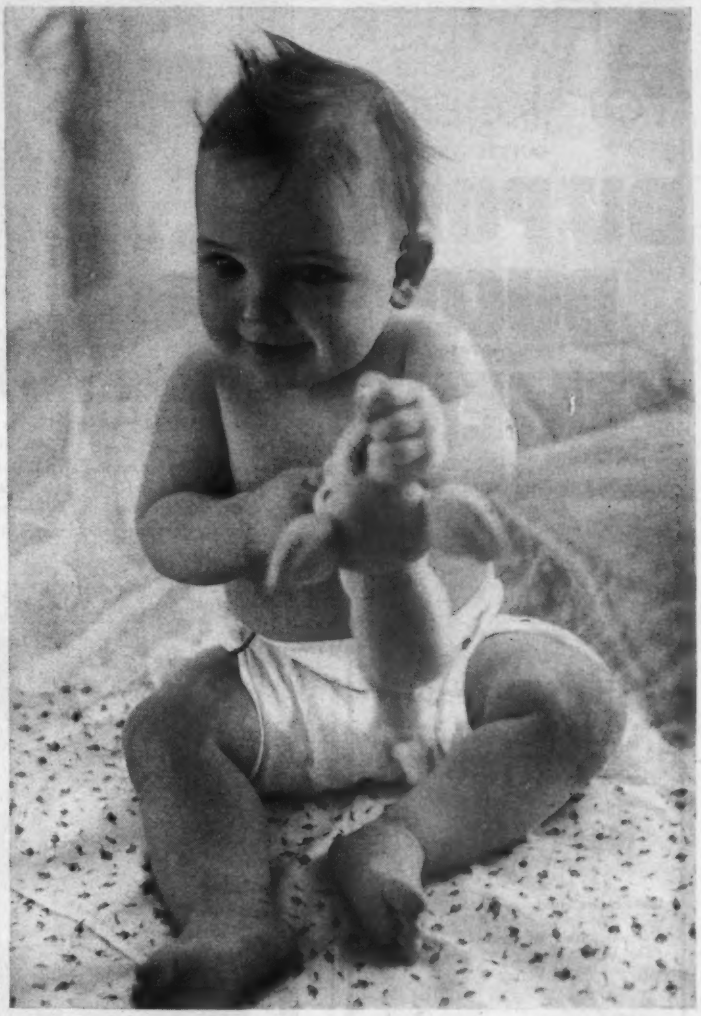

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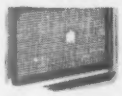

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To avoid dawdling on the way to school, Randy's mother and I set another definite rule: "Walk right along."(This is interpreted to mean, don't poke, don't run, don't accept rides unless from mothers or fathers of his friends; just walk.)

Two children walking together dawdle less than three or four. Seeing their pleasant teacher and having fun at school help speed them.

Dawdling on the way home was also a problem. The boys were tired or else found so many interesting things to investigate or try out. Here again, we had to emphasize the importance of walking straight home—not running, but walking right along—and of checking in at home before any active play, like the fence-straddling here

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What the new sewing machines will do for you

By Jane Funkhouser

How talented can a sewing machine be? Today's advanced models stitch out the most intricate embroideries and create perfect buttonholes and monograms with a minimum of effort on your part.

Those time-consuming mending and darning jobs, as well as straight stitching, are fast and easy on the new machines, too. The genius of a zigzag machine is its needle. Darting from side to side as it goes, it is able to produce effects that formerly were possible—and tedious at that—only when done by hand.

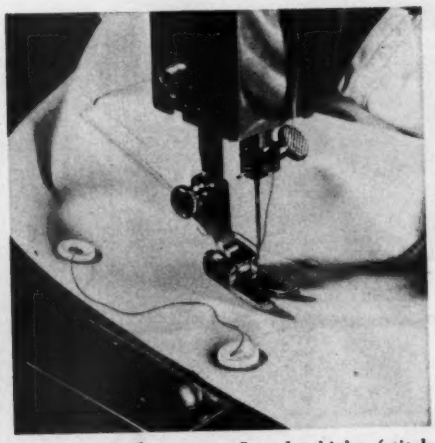
Twin needles, which come with most zigzag models, can sew with two colors of thread at once for ultradecorative effects.

Photographs: Hopkins

Decorative stitching. Dramatic effect with a variety of colors and designs are a celebrated feature of zigzag machines. The wide eye of the presser foot allows needle to swing from side to side, making work with a double needle possible

Buttonholes. A tedious, exacting job when done by hand, buttonholes are finished in a matter of minutes on a zigzag machine. You mark where hole should begin and end, and the machine does the rest. A close satin stitch is used for them

Darning. A free darning arm to slip a sock or a sleeve on is a boon to the seamstress who does a lot of darning and mending. Darning foot makes it possible to "weave" threads to make a neat job of patching holes in knitted or woven goods



Sewing on buttons. Set the bight (stitch width) lever at the distance between holes of button, and the zigzag machine makes quick work of sewing it on. Most of the new machines do the same functions, differ in their ease of operation

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Drive without scaring your wife

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Tacoma, Washington. "I have to keep shifting my feet to brace myself," wrote another. (Turns worry pregnant women, especially. So do sudden stops.)

Too close to the car ahead. This is one main reason wives dig their heels in. "The floor mat on her side has a hole worn in it," wrote a husband in West Hartford.

Eyes off road. It's a male idea that only *women* turn their heads while driving. But now that idea has been exploded by the wives themselves. Wives in many different areas said they get nervous when their husbands:

"Looks toward the back seat to talk." (Garden City, New York.)

"Looks at, and talks to, the baby in the car seat beside him." (Raleigh, North Carolina.)

"Tries to see all the landscape." (Fort Collins, Colorado.)

"Turns to stare while I watch the road, expecting the worst." (Snyder, New York.)

"Lets his eyes roam over scenery 'of all descriptions'." (Birmingham, Michigan.)

Road sports. "I get nervous," wrote one wife, "when someone cuts Bill off and he does the same to the other fellow to see how he likes it." Another wife cringes when hubby "pushes" a car that has annoyed him to the curb.

Heaters. "We freeze!" chorused a group of wives in Birmingham, Michigan. "Men seem to leave the heaters off in winter."

Windows. Window control is a vast problem. Men like plenty of fresh air. But women, it seems, have hairdos. (Solution? You won't find *this* one under "Solutions"! No one had any.)

Ten solutions, or What women like

Some wives nobly shouldered all the blame.

"I know it's just me," wrote one.

"He offers to let me drive, and I make *him* nervous," another said.

"He's courteous to everybody."

"Asks me why I push the floor with my feet, and I feel very foolish about it."

"I feel positively *unfaithful*."

"Why, when my mother says anything about his driving, I tell her he's *wonderful*."

Now for the "solutions." You'd never guess what it is your wife wants above all on a trip. It's your "pleasant conversation."

Wives, it seems, have a funny idea that motoring can be enjoyable and relaxing. Judging from comments, the average wife gets happily in the car with you, looking forward to the trip. She knows she may have a few tense moments, but she will see people and things, and good old Bill (that's you and me) will keep her comfortable and interested during the drive.

But somehow it doesn't work out that way. Good old Bill looks at his watch, whips away at high speed, thinks about the office, and finally gets completely lost in a roaring sportscast. He's not in the car; he's at an early-season ball game. Speed. Brakes. The trip's over.

You see? That's why wife after wife pleaded: "*Please* give us pleasant talk." That's exactly how one Maryland wife wrote it.

And a wife in Lakeville, Connecticut, said, "To keep us free from tenseness, keep us interested"!

So, here are the solutions, listed in order:

1. *Talk pleasantly with your wife.* What will you talk about? A wife in Franklin, Michigan, says, "Driving is fun when we talk, sing, and play guessing games. If my husband enjoys the trip, I do, too."

And a wife in Indianapolis, Indiana, wrote, "We enjoy word games, 20 questions, and so on, when it doesn't take attention from safe driving." This wife doesn't get as nervous as others.

2. *Make many more rest stops.* Most surprising of all was the outpouring of requests—from wives all over America—for "more rest stops." This compelling desire to stop (some suggested every 60 miles; others every 100 miles) must be uppermost in the minds of many U. S. wives.

The strange fact is, no question about rest stops was included in the

"Do you suppose the motor is trying to tell us something?"

questionnaire. *But one in every five women wrote it in.* Such a spontaneous demand must have deep roots. And in Boston, Psychologist Moseley may have put his finger on it. When your wife sees a child in the road, or some other danger, says Moseley, her adrenal glands go to work. These release a lot of extra energy in her body—so she can fight off the emergency. It's a normal wifely reaction, and it is what helps a mother fight when her children are threatened.

But in your family car, she *can't* act. Energy is pouring into her system, and she can't use it. Result: like the wife in Niles, Michigan, she may get "the shakes." Or she may merely writhe inwardly.

Repeated often enough, she can become a "bundle of nerves."

And so the frequent rest stop—every hour or so—becomes one way for any normal wife to move around and work off some of the explosive energy that road tension builds up.

3. *Ask your wife.* If suppressed nervousness can hurt a woman, one way to discover—and prevent—it is to ask her. Some wives, sadly, seem shocked when asked if their breadwinners ever inquire for their bodily and mental comfort when driving. "No, never! Does *any* husband?" wrote one. "Heavens, no!" wrote another. "What do you mean?" asked a third.

But these neglected helpmates, happily, were in the minority. Many husbands, their wives said, do ask: "Is my speed all right?" or "Comfortable?" And even more ask: "Would you like to take a quieter road?" All this seems to make the women happy, and they'd like more of it.

4. *Keep plenty of gas.* Some women seem to have a positive phobia about running out of gas. A low gauge makes them edgy. Men don't worry. But for a woman, an empty tank means sitting on a road, at night perhaps, while good old Bill goes for gas. That scares her.

5. *Pass cars singly.* You can overtake cars one at a time, and the little lady beside you will be the very picture of bliss. Pass two at once, and she will tighten; pass three, and you'll see her heel nudge the floor—particularly if a truck's coming your way. So try to "take" slower cars one at a time.

6. *Keep a "new" car.* If you've had trouble persuading your helpmate that you need a new car, here's the ammunition you've been waiting for. Like empty gas tanks, wives fear mechanical breakdowns. "I get very tense," wrote a wife in Rochester, New York, "if something isn't operating properly."

Other wives expressed similar fears. Women have a surprising fear of blowouts. A noisy car is bothersome, too.

But from a wife in Sharon, Connecticut, came this illuminating report, "My husband's pride in *his new car* makes him careful, and I relax. We now get a new one every two or three years."

7. *Start earlier.* Many women hate the rushing necessary to keep a road schedule on long trips.

8. *Keep calm.* In Detroit, the head of the famous Detroit Traffic Clinic is Psychologist Alan Canty. Canty says, "The best thing a husband can do for his wife's comfort is: Be calm yourself.

"For nervousness is communicated. She catches it from you. If you're jumpy and erratic, she gets it. She also reacts to tenseness, belligerence, impulsiveness—and occasional use of epithets. ["Spare us profanity," wrote one wife.]

"But if you sit back, attentive to the road but relaxed, and take it easy—she will, too."

9. *Share the driving.* Several women reported they feel less tense when they have a regular share in the driving. This, like rest stops, is a way to use up that energy.

10. *Back-seat driving.* In Laurel, Maryland, lives a man who works with missiles when he isn't driving the one he keeps in his garage. Being a modern husband, he's decided that "back-seat driving" is about as out of date as the old cheer, "get a horse."

And so here is how E. M. Bunn, of Laurel, and Mrs. Bunn, have worked out the "back-seat advice" problem in many years of transcontinental driving:

"I know," Bunn says, "that it worries her to see dangers she thinks *I* don't see. And it's true, sometimes I *don't* see them. (She's saved the day several times.) And so I now ask her to warn me."

Mrs. Bunn says, "He has asked me to tell him about cars on side roads, children on bikes, or stop signs he might not see. But we have an agreement. I never shout, 'Look out! There's a boy on a bike!' or 'Look out for that car!' I just say quietly, 'Do you see it?' "

But the Bunns have an even better idea. Today, when Bunn sees a car approaching on a side road, he lets his wife know. "I see it," he announces quietly.

"He beats me to it," smiles Mrs. Bunn.

Says Bunn, "And I've learned never to think of my wife as a 'back-seat driver.' I think it's time the expression passed out of the language. *You see, on today's busy roads, I've made my wife a copilot!*"

"You have no idea," says Mrs. Bunn, "how that puts me at ease."

Opposite opinions

My wife insists the driveway is
Too narrow for the car—
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When it's been snowing hard
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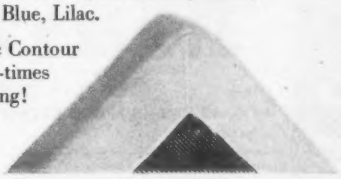

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New sewing machines

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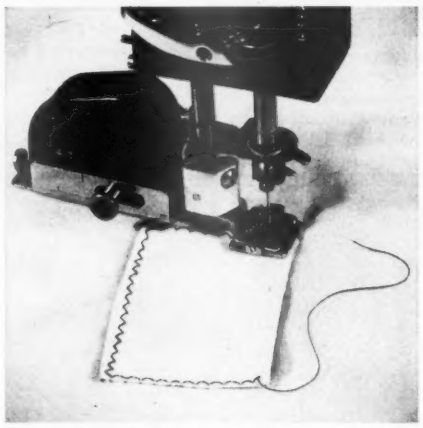

Zigzag attachment. Attachments for many purposes are available with straight-stitching machines. This zigzag one is making a border around a pocket as it sews pocket to the fabric. Attachment moves the material, not the needle

How they work and what they do

Some zigzag machines are automatic, some manual. How do they differ? Suppose you want to make a row of arrowhead designs on your fabric. On an automatic, you'd insert a template or flick a dial for that specific design, and the machine would do the rest. You only need to guide the fabric.

On a manual zigzag machine, you'd control the stitch width ("bight") from narrow to wide to narrow again for the same design. If your sense of rhythm is fairly normal, this operation is simple after a little practice.

Zigzag stitching is just part of the new look

Every year, new advances appear in straight-stitching and zigzag machines alike, which take more strain off the seamstress and make sewing more pleasurable. Some sewing-ease factors found in different machines are:

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How to choose the best machine for you

The choice between a zigzag and straight-stitching machine involves both your individual sewing needs and your budget. Zigzag models run about $100 higher than the straight-stitchers.

If you like to put fancy detailing on your sewing, and if ease and speed in doing tedious sewing tasks appeal to you, a zigzag model will be worth the extra money.

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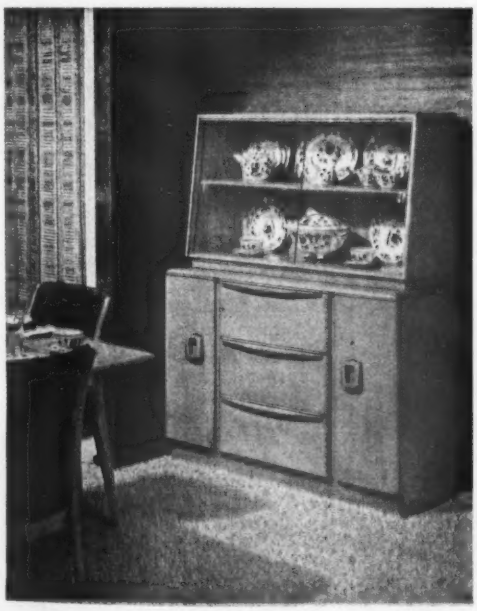

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Bring on Shrimp de Jonghe oven-hot. Go-withs are: green beans with almonds, tossed salad, rolls, Special Orange Sherbet, sliced pound cake, hot coffee.

Shrimp de Jonghe

(Pronounce "Jonghe" to rhyme with "wrong")

4 pounds fresh or frozen shrimp

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1 cup butter, melted
2 cloves garlic, minced
⅓ cup chopped parsley
½ teaspoon paprika
Dash cayenne
½ cup cooking sherry
2 cups soft bread crumbs

Rinse the shrimp; drop unshelled shrimp into boiling salted water (4 tablespoons salt to 9 cups water). Cover; heat to boiling, then lower heat and simmer gently till shells turn pink, about 5 minutes. Drain. Cool in cold water. Peel off shells and remove vein that runs down back. To melted butter, add garlic, parsley, paprika, cayenne, and cooking sherry; mix. Add bread crumbs; toss. Place shrimp in greased 11x7x1½-inch baking dish. Spoon butter mixture over. Bake in slow oven (325°) 20 to 25 minutes, or till crumbs brown. Sprinkle with additional chopped parsley before serving. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

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1⅓ cups sugar
2⅔ cups milk
2 cans (12 ounces) frozen orange-juice concentrate, thawed
1⅓ cups light cream
2 tablespoons lemon juice, fresh, frozen, or canned
¼ teaspoon salt
2 stiff-beaten egg whites

Heat sugar and milk, stirring constantly till sugar dissolves; remove from heat, add orange-juice concentrate, light cream, lemon juice, and salt. Mix well. (Don't worry about curdled appearance—it disappears after freezing.) Pour into refrigerator tray. Freeze firm; break in chunks; beat with electric beater until smooth.* Fold in egg whites. Return to refrigerator tray; freeze 30 minutes longer; stir, then freeze till firm. Makes about 1½ quarts.

*Or freeze mixture till partially frozen. Beat smooth with rotary beater.

Note: You can make this a day or so ahead—it keeps well.

Home Fashion Note by Marion Palmer

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Susie showed no jealousy of the newcomer except when Pam was having her formula. Then Susie, although nearly weaned to a cup, would decide she, too, wanted a bottle. Her parents humored her by letting her have it, propped so she could watch Pam feeding.

By Ann Usher

Managing with two babies

A second baby less than a year after the first is a lot to cope with—and enjoy. This young couple has the key to both

Photographs: Pease

Two hands aren't always enough with two babies. Holding Pam in her arm as she answers the convenient kitchen telephone, Mama has to rely on Susie's interest in the telephone to keep her from toddling off

Like many young couples today, the Charles R. Strohs have combined early marriage, a family, and earning a living with college attendance for the husband. In addition, they have added homeowning to these accomplishments.

Married when both were 19 and Chuck was a sophomore at Iowa State College, their first baby was born within the year. Their second daughter arrived the day before Nancy's 21st birthday.

During summer vacations prior to his marriage, Chuck had worked as an apprentice electrician at his father's plumbing and electrical shop. The skill learned then has stood the young father in good stead as a means of supporting his quickly expanded family.

After the birth of their first baby, Chuck transferred to Drake University in Des Moines, where he is carrying approximately 12 credit hours of study a year in his drive toward a degree in business administration.

Working a 5-day, [*Turn to next page*

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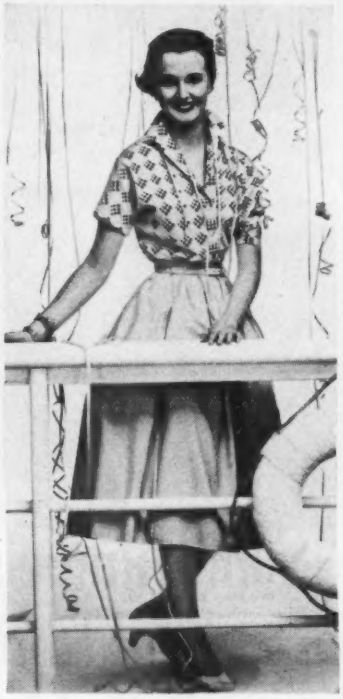

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40-hour week, he has classes at Drake 3 nights a week. In addition, he drives 30 miles each way every Saturday to Iowa State College at Ames, Iowa, for all-day sessions to qualify as a journeyman electrician.

Free evenings and Sundays are spent catching up on his studies and class assignments.

Such a rugged schedule leaves little time for outside entertainment even if care of the two babies would permit it.

Chuck and Nancy get an occasional night out when one of their mothers baby-sits for them. And Chuck sometimes gets in a game of golf at a nearby course. Some of the neighborhood mothers have organized a bridge club. Nancy can attend its sessions because they are in the evenings. Chuck then studies at home, with the babies bedded down for the night.

A small parental loan plus their own savings helped the young couple to make the down payment on a new home in a subdivision of other young marrieds. The home furnishings are, for the most part, "cast-offs" from their parents' homes. Clever decorating and meticulous housekeeping make their home cheerful and attractive.

Chuck and Nancy are proud that, despite the fact they have purchased a secondhand car and a new television set, plus a used refrigerator and range for their kitchen, they have no debts other than current bills. Of course, there's a mortgage on their home. They admit that debt is a whopper, especially for a young man just turned 21.

Although the families of both Chuck and Nancy are in fairly comfortable circumstances, there has been no direct financial aid from either side except the small loan toward the down payment on the home.

Nancy had not learned to cook and had never been required to help with housework before her marriage. But she has quickly developed efficiency in these matters, plus doing the family laundry and giving superb care to two young babies.

The young Strohs, in their devotion to each other and their children, and in their thoughtful planning for the future, are typical of the growing number of serious young families in our country.

Here, the Strohs demonstrate some of their methods for taking care of two babies less than a year apart in age.

Both youngsters tend to waken from naps at the same time. The calls from one probably disturb the other, although they have separate rooms.

Since both are always hungry after sleeping, Nancy finds it necessary to prop Pam's bottle in the buggy with her while she feeds 1-year-old Susie in the nearby highchair.

Usually, Nancy holds Pam in her arms for her other feedings.

Susie had learned to walk before Pam was born, and now dislikes her playpen except for a few minutes each morning.

This gives her mother time to bathe Pam. Otherwise, Sue insists on helping out.

Nancy has arranged equipment so that busy Sue can't get into anything dangerous at moments like this.

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When Susie is in her room, the Strohs keep her door closed so that she will not be disturbed by necessary attentions to Pam.

However, if Susie is awake and hears them, they make sure to include her in the feeling of taking care of Pam.

Here, Chuck, carrying Pam into her own room, pauses to answer Sue's shout.

When the weather is nice, Nancy takes Pam and Sue outdoors for their airing. Susie likes to help push Pam's buggy, which helps in keeping her from trotting out of reach. Here, they approach their new house, which Nancy and Chuck are buying with payments no higher than rent, but which increase their equity each month

Because of her stays at the homes of her grandparents, Susie loves to go "bye-bye." Here, Chuck takes her, dressed in new finery from a doting grandmother, to visit that grandmother and stay the day. Breaks in the routine like this give Nancy a chance to relax while Pam naps, or to catch up on household tasks

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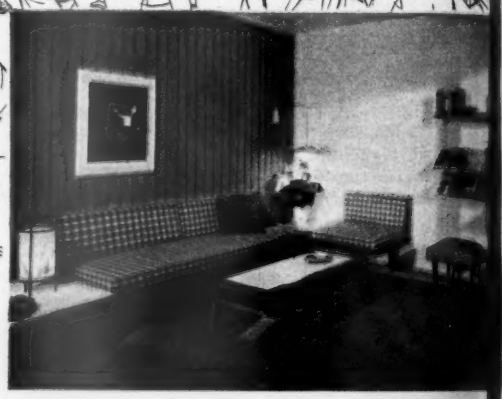

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Tricks with your vacuum cleaner

There's no limit to the number of things this genie appliance can do. Bring it out and put it to work all through the house, the kids' play spots, the yard, and Dad's workshop.

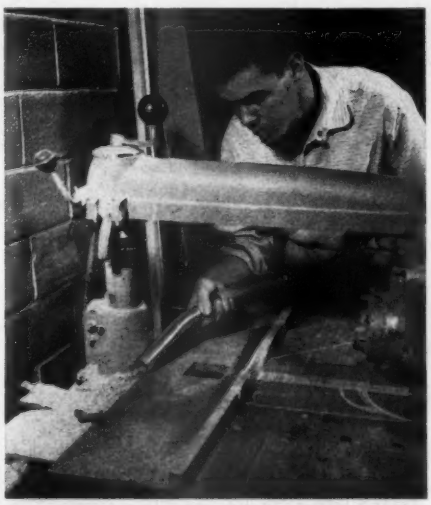
Your vacuum cleaner with its attachments will tackle a lot of time-stealing jobs like defrosting the refrigerator and frozen-food packages, blowing up balloons, cleaning up wood shavings, drying hair, sweeping the kitchen and hardwood floors, cleaning air vents, dusting books and blinds, taking air out of plastic bags used to hold foods for freezing—besides regular rug vacuuming and household dusting, of course. It works such magic that Junior and Sis will want to take over, too.

Read the instruction book that comes with your vacuum cleaner, to make sure you're taking full advantage of its help—there may be some jobs exclusive to the model you own. By putting on your thinking cap and experimenting, you may come up with even more ideas. Try these tricks as a starter.

Defrost refrigerator. **Blow warm air from your vacuum over that frost, and it'll disappear in minutes—no waiting around. This same idea will work wonders on frozen packages right out of freezer, the freezer itself, icy steps, frozen gasoline line or radiator in your car**

Photographs: Pease

Pick up lint. **You'll like the neat-as-a-pin results. Crevice tool pokes into pockets, cuffs, and other hard-to-reach areas. Line up several garments at a time, do the job with assembly-line precision. Try vacuum to delint wool coats, suits**



Vacuum-clean power tools. **Dad will be surprised how quickly he can sweep up messy sawdust. Skip attachments and use end of hose as is. It's great for cleaning screens and storm windows, too—slip on the dusting brush to do these jobs**

Clean off motors. **Behind-the-scene areas of your freezer, refrigerator, and range get awfully dusty, but it's a snap to tidy them if you let vacuum help. Bedsprings respond well to treatment**

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Groom Fido with your vacuum cleaner. It's a way to earn title of dog's best friend.

Use dusting brush or not, depending on what your dog likes. Usually, plain hose end works best for long-hair dogs, dusting brush for short.

So as not to scare Fido at the onset, place your hand on the dog's back, then slide brush attachment down hand and onto your dog.

Some folks even use this cleaning aid to curry horses.

Decrumb breadbox in this effortless way. Crevice tool swoops up crumbs in a jiffy, reaches way into the corners.

Same tool will clean oven, broiler, knife-fork drawer.

Slick up car trunk. The upholstery or dusting brush makes off with all the debris left when you hauled wood or sand after a beach picnic.

While you're at it, go over inside of the car, too. Don't forget glove compartment.

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No. 4111 SET — *a Judd exclusive, with rod, ends and brackets in jet black wrought iron finish. Also available with black rod and brass-finish ends and brackets (No. 4114 set) or in all white (No. 4116 set). Extensions from 28 to 48, and 50 to 90 inches.*

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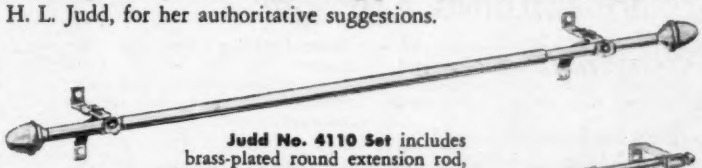
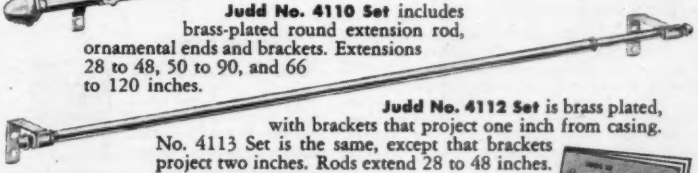


Judd No. 4110 Set includes brass-plated round extension rod, ornamental ends and brackets. Extensions 28 to 48, 50 to 90, and 66 to 120 inches.



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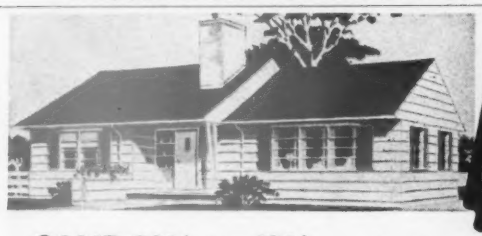

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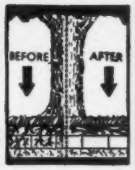

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The house of seven children

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Sewing center (indispensable to a family our size) is in the master bedroom. Mamie sews almost all the girls' clothes, made all the draperies in the house. Eventually, we'll build the double-duty sewing center designed by *Better Homes & Gardens* (September, 1954)

We let the children annex part of the storage room as their "shack." With make-do partitioning and an old couch (that pretty well seats the whole neighborhood), the membership assembles for a travelog

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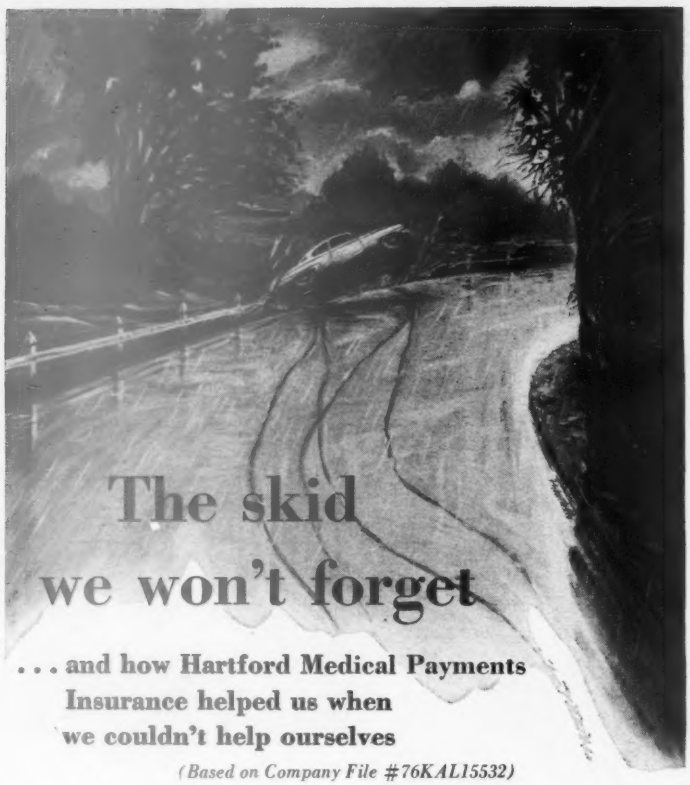

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When I stepped on the brake, we skidded crazily across the road, crashed through the fence. Both my wife and I were thrown out as the car overturned. Luckily, the police got us to a hospital fast.

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The house of seven children

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If there's any space unused, we haven't found it yet. Here's the final task for midget closet under the stairs—sawing the runner to size for a bamboo screen to slide across.

The staircase was our project, too. The treads are large slabs of oak with balustrades of 5/8-inch black iron rods. Lewis and I used an electric drill to bore holes in treads for securing rods.

Tall window shutters became doors for our entrance closet. The obscure-glass divider was built in one afternoon at a cost of $30. We used 1x3 oak boards dadoed on a power saw and attached with glue and finishing nails. Oak strips hold the glass in frames.

The ceiling drops in the hall from 12- to 7-foot level. A lighting cove facing the living area is formed in the lowered ceiling.

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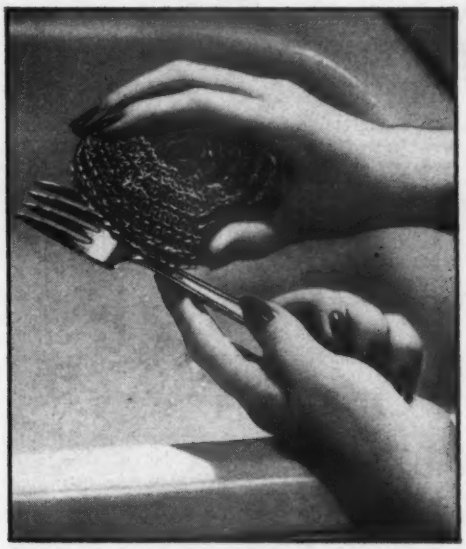
TUFFY washes dishes faster, easier than anything in your kitchen now

—because only TUFFY is tough enough to scrub crusted pans yet gentle enough to wash finest china and silverware

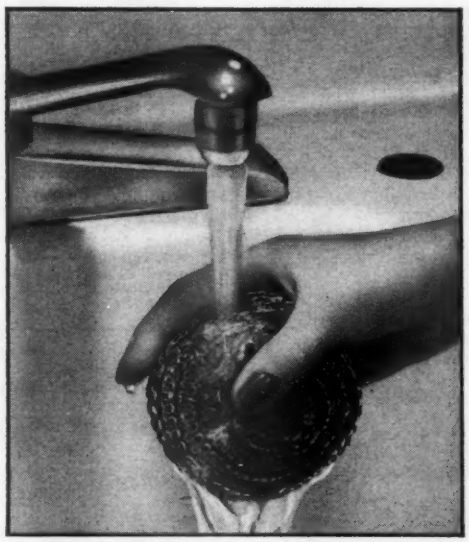
Look how one clean TUFFY replaces soggy dishrags, mops, sponges, messy brushes

TUFFY cleans glued-on food from plates, without the rubbing, you must do with dishrags, mops, sponges. TUFFY never scratches.

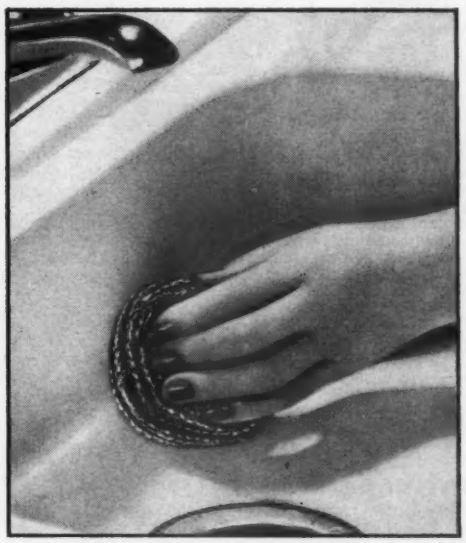


TUFFY washes sticky food from silverware, gets down in fork tines where you dig with fingernails when using soggy dishrags, sponges, mops.

TUFFY scrubs crusted food from pans, does gooey jobs that clog and bend the bristles of a brush. Then TUFFY rinses out clean and fresh.



TUFFY rinses out clean under the tap, because no food can stick to its amazing "wonder-mesh" fibers. Leave TUFFY out on your sink.



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The house of seven children

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How to get plans for this home

Better Homes & Gardens Five Star Home No. 2503 (about which you've just read) is one of a series of one- to four-bedroom homes published each month which make up our Five Star Home Plan Service. This service—through which you can purchase complete plans for the home of your dreams—includes the following points:

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These Five Star Home plans may be ordered from the firms you'll find listed beginning on page 170. In many localities, you can order these plans through your building-materials dealer. Or, you can buy them direct from *Better Homes & Gardens,* 1714 Locust Street, Des Moines 3, Iowa.

New sewing machines

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But if you do more utilitarian sewing and take pride and pleasure in hand-finishing your work, a straight-stitching machine will amply fill your needs.

Compare before you buy

When you work with several different machines, it becomes evident that they all have their fine points and their drawbacks. Only you can decide which one is best for you. Try each brand of machine available in your town. Sit down and sew on each of them, trying all of their operations. You may like some features of a machine and dislike others. The only way to choose one is the way you choose a dress—you have to "try it on" to see whether it is for you.

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1 large can salmon
1 can mushroom soup • 1 onion, minced
1 green pepper, minced • 1 tbsp. butter
½ loaf crumbled dried bread
½ tsp. salt, pepper • ½ cup milk
2 tbsps. A.1. Sauce • ½ cup cracker meal

Sauté minced pepper and onion in butter. Mix bread, mushroom soup, salmon, sautéed pepper and onion, and A.1. Sauce. Add milk. Cover with cracker meal browned in butter. Dot with butter. Bake at 400° 25 min.

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In much read books.

But the happiest, rarest,
The ones who amaze,
Are the women whose
husbands
Drop words of praise.

—*Richard Armour*

Check these operations on each machine:

Tension: Be sure you can easily set both bobbin- and top-thread tensions, and that they're uniform while you sew.

Stitches: The stitches per inch should be clearly marked and easily regulated. In zigzag machines, stitch width must be easily regulated, too.

Bobbin: Removing, rewinding, and inserting the bobbin should be fast and simple.

Automatic reverse: You should be able to sew backward simply by flicking a lever.

Light: A shielded bulb should be positioned to throw light on the needle and your work.

Feed: The feed (a corrugated plate beneath the needle) should be adjustable for darning and some fancywork.

Weight: Head of machine should be light enough for you to lift it up or down into the cabinet without too much strain. In a portable model, consider how much you have to lift or carry it—weights vary from 4½ up to over 30 pounds.

Availability of attachments: If you buy a straight-stitching machine, your dealer should be able to obtain all the attachments you want.

Availability of parts: All zigzag machines, or parts of them, are foreign-produced. If the machine's brand is well known and has dealers all over the country, and if your local dealer is well established and reputable, you can feel secure in your purchase. But if you don't know much about either of them, check into their reputations before you buy.

Guarantees: Most guarantees include replacing a defective motor for one year, and some guarantee all major parts for the life of the machine.

A parent on Sunday

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Serve pancakes with *warm* syrup and butter or with fancy trimmings. For more go-withs, see "Pancakes . . . flip 'em to order!" in February *Better Homes & Gardens.*

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Dessert Pancakes. Ever so delicate, dainty. And only two ingredients to measure—the flour and milk. A dash of salt and nutmeg are added for flavor, an egg for lightness. Fill these hot cakes with tart preserves; roll. Sift a snow of confectioners' sugar over

Buttermilk Flapjacks. Good, old-fashioned flavor like Grandmother's had. Here, we've baked jumbos—but light as a bird! Pile them high with butter or margarine and orange marmalade between. Cut in wedges. Pass a bowl of Cinnamon Butter

Hot Mince Cakes. Think of pie every time you hear mincemeat? Not if you try this dessert! Taste's out of this world! Let a heaping spoonful of Orange Hard Sauce melt over each person's stack of pancakes

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Feather Pancakes. You won't have to call the family to the table when they get a whiff of these baking on the griddle. Recipe has lots of baking powder, guarantees you extra-light, fluffy cakes. Serve with butter, syrup, crisp bacon, and juicy pineapple

Blueberry Griddle Cakes. Serve these, and folks will think it's July instead of March! You use frozen or canned berries at this season. When cakes are baked to tender perfection, ladle warmed berries atop. Remember to offer plenty of butter or margarine

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A paintbrush is a tool

By Richard Nunn

One of the best ways you can obtain professional-looking paint jobs is to use the right brush—to use a good brush, use it properly, and keep it clean. It's that simple, as these photographs point out . . .

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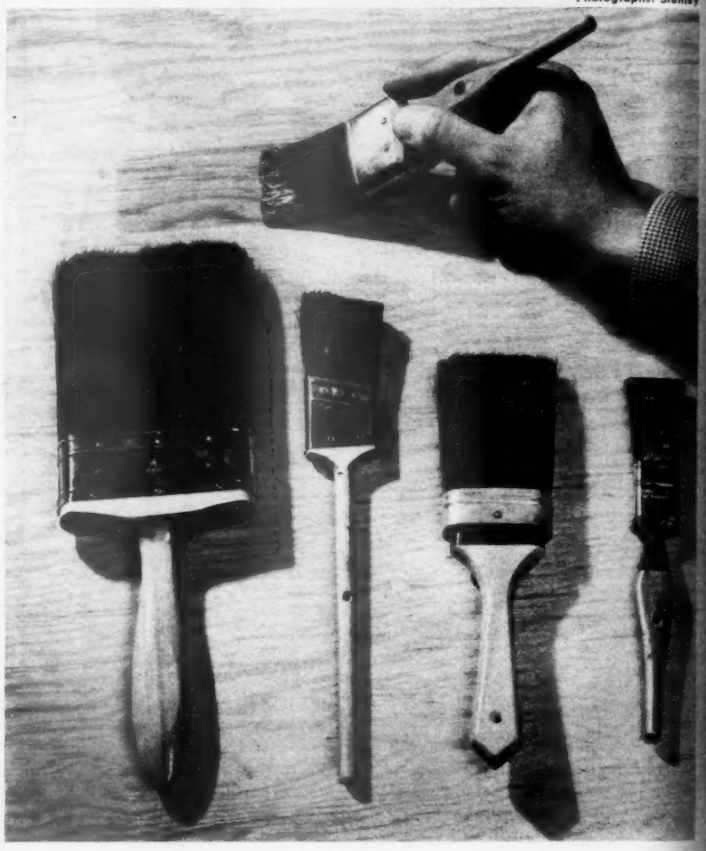

Right brushes to keep your home properly decorated and weatherproofed are (from left) 4-inch for flat surfaces, angled sash brush for windows and other narrow surfaces.

Use enamel brush for trim, 2-inch with chiseled edge for enamel and varnish. Larger one (in action) will let you spread varnish on larger surfaces much, much faster.

It's always wise to invest in—and care for—a selection of quality paintbrushes. They'll give better results from your painting dollar.

Check these two points before you buy a new paintbrush

Length of bristles helps determine elasticity of brush. Test it for "spring back" when bristles are slightly bent . . . see that they hang together and do not flair out at the end like a cheap whisk broom.

Brush should feel "full of bristles," not thin, when you compress it in your hand. Chisellike edge of sash brush (right) follows narrow trim best.

"Flags" or split ends of bristles are key to good quality, animal-hair brushes. The more ends you find split, the better brush performs.

Man-made bristles wear well against rough surfaces, flow paint on smoothly and evenly, and are very easy to clean out.

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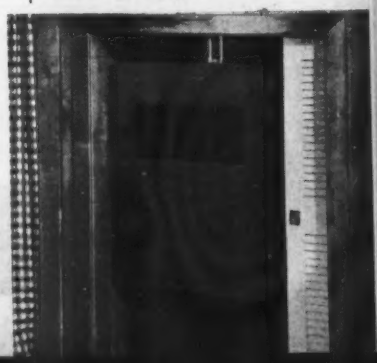

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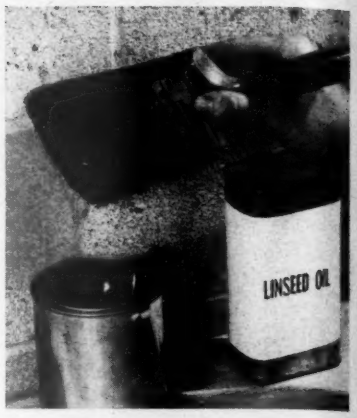

Precondition brushes for paint by removing loose bristles and softening flag ends.

Rub briskly on rough surface, and spin in your hands. Soak new brushes in linseed oil at least 24 hours before you put them into service.

This helps condition them to accept paint . . . lengthens the life of bristles.

Dab the brush tip at loose bristles to retrieve them from freshly painted surface.

Wet paint on brush will stick the loose bristles to it — and makes it easier, and less messy, to dispose of them.

With light stroke, re-cover marks the brush left, lifting handle gradually to avoid leaving thick edge of paint.

"Stray" bristles — the ones that don't hang with rest — should be removed with a glazier's knife or a scraper.

Place edge of tool under bristle and pull it against the metal ferrule with your thumb, as pictured.

Never, never paint with the edge of a brush. This causes bristle "clumping."

Dip-and-slap method is good way to remove excess paint from the brush. Slowly submerge it in paint, about one-third of length of bristles.

Slap off excess against side of container, as pictured.

Deep dipping wastes the paint and leads to accumulation of it in heel of brush, shortening its life and causing paint to run into your hand.

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Leave brush in paint if work is interrupted for a short time. Should you be delayed for longer periods, suspend it in the paint itself.

Use a wire through hole in handle to keep flag ends of bristles off bottom of container. Never store in paint for more than an hour.

Between sessions—lunch hour, unexpected guests, or a trip to the paint store for more supplies—wrap brush in aluminum foil to keep air from hardening the paint.

Double thickness is best protection—twist the excess tightly around handle, as shown. You can even store brush this way overnight if you'll be using it next day.

For longer storage—the days between a weekend job—hang brush in linseed oil or turpentine so flag ends of the bristles don't touch bottom of the container.

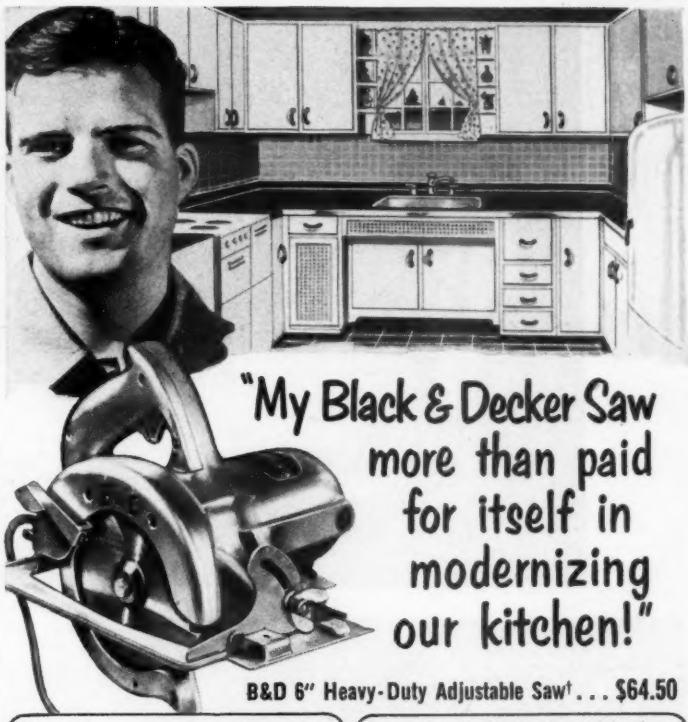
When you're ready to use it again, wipe out the excess turpentine or oil with old cloth or rub the brush on a fairly rough surface.

Clean brushes with turpentine or commercial cleaner.

Soap-and-water is the final step in getting the brush clean enough to wrap and store away for long periods.

First, cut all paint you can with turpentine, thinner, or commercial cleaner.

Then wash with cleansing powder until clean water does not become colored from pigments. Wrap in aluminum foil and lay brush flat on side in a cool, dry place.



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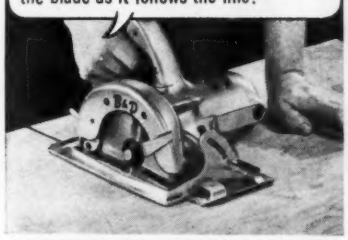

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I've used this B&D Jig Saw to make furniture, shelves, toys, and of course, the kitchen valance over the window. It's easy to guide, and cost me only $52.50.

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Original garage (section with long, high window) became a bedroom. New car shelter was added at left.

Addition improves looks of over-all house while solving need for more space. Driveway was widened.

Owners' new bedroom has big view window where it is sensible—facing privacy of rear yard and garden.

Note how addition ties with original house (same siding, same roof design, materials).

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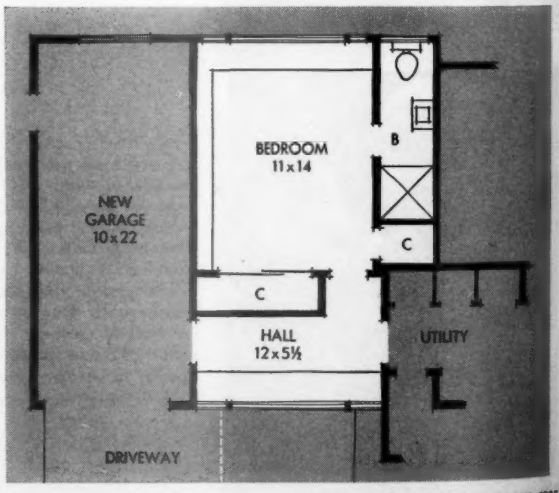
4. Appearance. Will your converted garage appear "tacked on" instead of blending naturally with your basic house?

5. Heating. How about technical problems? Can you modify your present heating plant to serve the new room? Is your garage insulated?

6. Storage. Can your home absorb the loss in bulk-storage space?

7. Placement. Is your lot such that you can add a garage to replace your converted one?



Hall is on streetside, serving as privacy barrier for new bedroom. Passageway guides traffic directly from original house (right) to new garage—leaving bedroom entirely separated, yet accessible. Owners gained full bathroom, too

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Good news for small rooms

By Lois Rea

Conversation grouping is set off from dining area and door to bedrooms by this simple shelf-divider.

To balance room divider, plastic cord is stapled to the wall and carries from the ceiling down the wall in an eye-catching, decorative, abstract design at other end of sofa.

Stools covered in plastic can be used as extra seats, tables, or footrests.

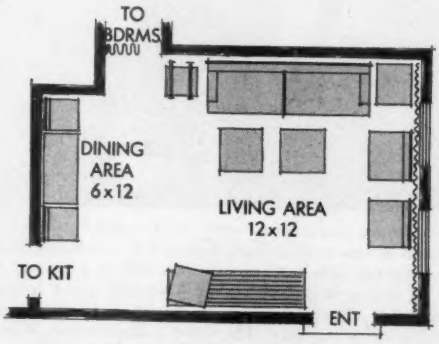
Photographs: Hedrich-Blessing. Decorator: Ralph Contrael

Dining area is given more of a feeling of separation by the unusual wall treatment. Rest of walls are plain, this one decorated with a hand-painted design with the help of a stiff paper stencil. You could use wallpaper and get the same effect. The wall-hugging table folds out to seat 12

Problem: How to make a small room live big. Here, few and large pieces are used to advantage to get the maximum from the available space.

The room is 12 feet wide with one wall 18 feet long. But the actual living-room area is only 12x12 feet. A door to the bedroom wing cuts in and leaves a small space for a dining area.

As you study the photographs, note how a different wall treatment seems to set off this dining area, but furnishings blend with the rest of the living room.



Few, large pieces were chosen with care to make this small room livable. The traffic patterns are well defined. TV rests on long bench. The Harry Greensfelder, Jr., home, University City, Missouri

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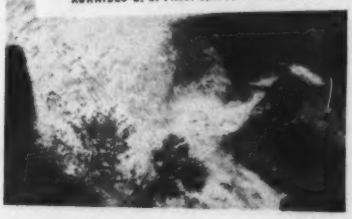

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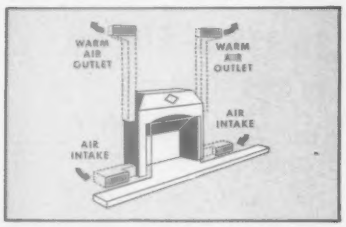

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Note how placement of lamp and statue relates to spacing of pictures. The Clark Bates home, Middletown, Ohio.

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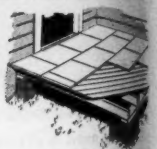

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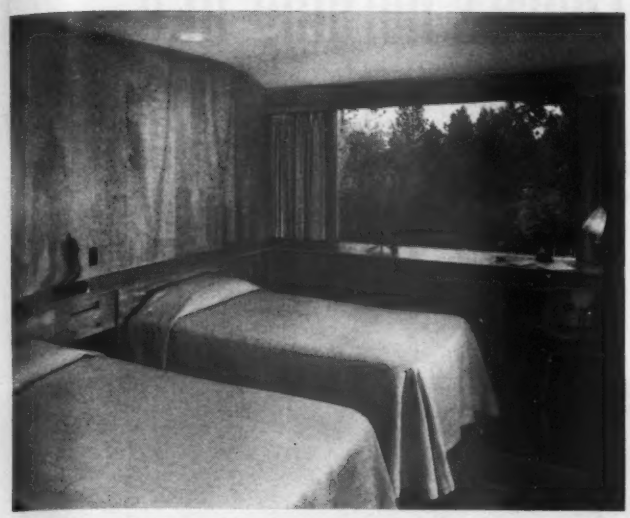
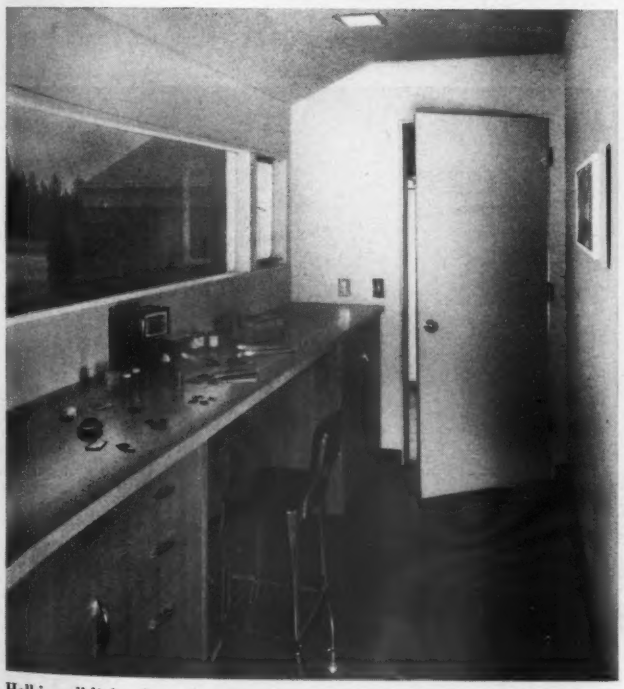


Birch built-ins line three walls of the new bedroom.

From right, note combination dressing table and desk, the drawers for clothing, the bookshelves, the headboards which store blankets, linens.

Why have a full wall of storage space and just a narrow, single door to reach it?

If you're building new or remodeling old, sliding doors like these (in new bedroom) are a better answer.



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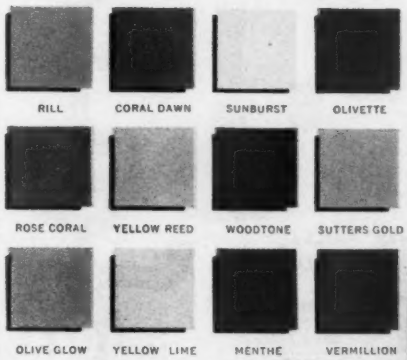

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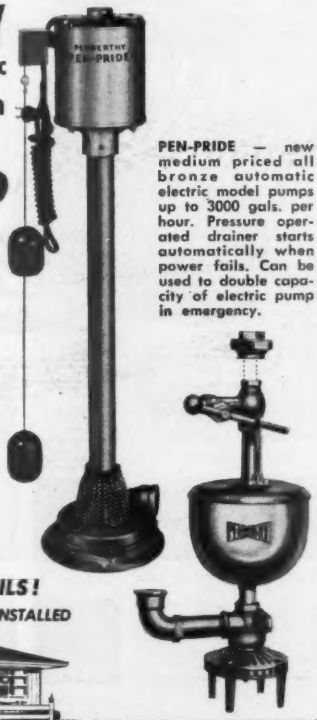

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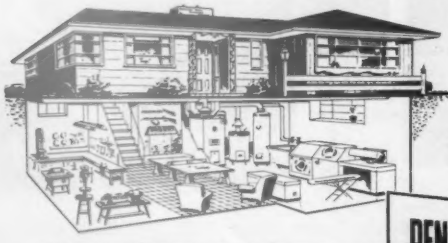

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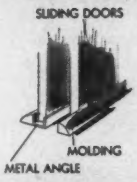

Pass-through links kitchen to the dining table for quick and easy serving. When meal is over, dishes can be whisked away and sliding doors closed.

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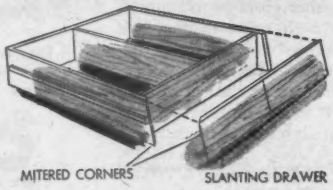
Built-in bench for family eating area in kitchen fits curving wall. Seat is hinged, opens to reveal storage space below. When nook doubles as rainy-day play area, toys and games are handy.

Telephone fits neatly into its own niche at one end. Shelf above for phone book is left open at front so it can be pulled out when top is down. Architects were Earl and Druce Henn of Cincinnati, Ohio.

All beds in house are built on bases that have drawers for extra blanket storage.

Note, too, the built-in desk with closets on each side. Desk top is hinged, folds up flush with drawers beneath.

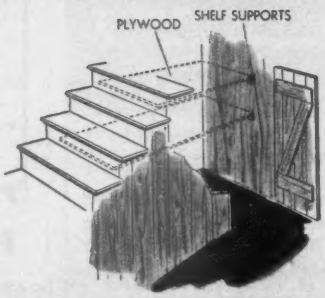
Upper drawers have slanting fronts, need no hardware pulls.



Space under stairs in entrance hall gives good luggage storage. There are two big shelves and plenty of floor space to let this recess earn its keep.

Door is of the same fir paneling as wall, and is set flush so it appears to be part of wall when door is closed.

Owners are the Adrian Diamonds, of Cincinnati, Ohio. Data by Polly Cramer.



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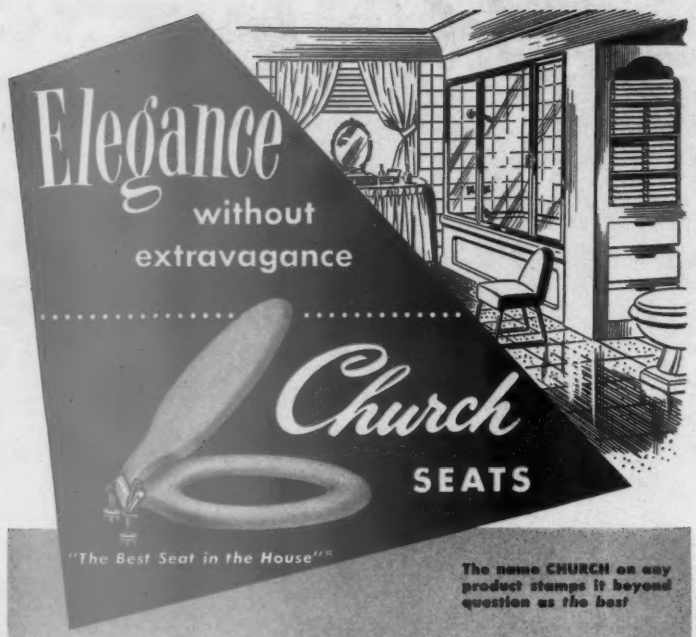

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Wonder drugs

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oxygen (don't try to live without it, either!). Table salt can be toxic to some persons with advanced heart failure. We, the patients, should know what our doctors are well aware of: *No* antibiotic is completely free of possible side effects. *No* antibiotic can be singled out as "best" or "most dangerous." There are only antibiotics that are excellent for one patient and useless for another. The real miracle is the doctor's bag, containing many different antibiotic weapons.

No antibiotic destroys every kind of germ that can make us sick. Penicillin controls many of the most common infections, particularly those caused by "strep" germs, but is no use against some others that yield to "broad spectrum" antibiotics — terramycin, aureomycin, chloromycetin. These three are more shotguns than they are rifles, hitting a large variety of disease organisms, including Rickettsias which cause Rocky Mountain spotted fever and typhus, and the large viruses of psittacosis, or parrot fever. Some antibiotics, though of broad range, are uniquely effective against one especially dangerous kind of disease organism. Thus, streptomycin hits some germs that penicillin doesn't, but is so effective against tuberculosis bacilli that most of the drug is used in T.B. cases. Chloromycetin is the drug of choice against typhoid fever.

New weapons

Often we need a change of weapons. Pharmaceutical researchers from time to time add a new gun to the antibiotic arsenal. A relatively new antibiotic, erythromycin, hits pretty much the same germs as penicillin. Why do we need another drug to do penicillin's work? As we have seen, some patients become sensitized to penicillin. Or certain germs become resistant to penicillin, learn to shrug it off. Then a different weapon, erythromycin or another antibiotic, often saves the day, which is to say, the patient.

Also, when there's a new, tiny chink appearing in our defenses against disease, doctors quickly bring new measures into action. Lately, they have been intensively studying a rare but serious condition apparently associated with treatment with certain antibiotics —although, as a Mayo Clinic study shows, this complication did arise in postsurgical patients years before we had any antibiotics. A severe intestinal disorder, similar to Asiatic cholera in explosiveness and seriousness, seems to be caused by enormous multiplication of a stubborn, vicious germ family (micrococcus pyogenes). These tough bacteria are not affected by aureomycin, terramycin, penicillin, or streptomycin. Whatever the cause of this rare complication, doctors are now very much alert to it, and some serious cases have been controlled by erythromycin. Magnamycin, chloromycetin, and perhaps other antibiotics may

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Shotgun artists

I've heard people say, "Doctors don't have to know much any more—they're 'shotgun artists' who inject an antibiotic for everything that comes along." Disgruntlement could hardly go farther afield. In the old days, it did not matter much whether a doctor knew what germs caused a case of pneumonia, for instance, for he had no drugs that were germ-specific. Antibiotics have led to better practice of medicine by encouraging doctors to identify the germs they're dealing with so that sharpshooting weapons can be chosen.

How can a doctor be sure what antibiotic is best for the patient? Many times, his experience and shrewdness will tell him pretty confidently what illness he is dealing with. At other times, he can't be sure as soon as he examines the patient. So, if a patient is very sick and is getting sicker with a "red hot" infection, penicillin or one of the broad-range antibiotics may be given at once so that no time is lost. Also, if he judges it necessary, the doctor may take a throat-swabbing or sample of secretions, from which to grow a culture so that specific germs can be identified. When the germ-target is known, the proper antibiotic weapon (which may or may not be the time-buying drug first given) can be chosen. Cultures are particularly important in illnesses that should respond to antibiotics but do not. Some unusual, resistant germ may be identified, which one of the less widely used antibiotics may be able to control.

Stronger but safer

It is even possible to tailor-make a drug combination for a particular patient, by measuring the effectiveness of different agents against cultures of the patient's own germs. The combination may be of two antibiotics, each augmenting each other's effects. Or, quite often, an antibiotic may be combined with a sulfa drug, the hope being that germs that resist one drug will be wiped out by the other. Also, combinations usually mean smaller doses of each drug, lessening toxicity. Streptomycin in extended treatment tends to impair the organs of hearing. So does its close relative, dihydrostreptomycin. But each antibiotic affects different parts of the ear. So half-and-half doses of each drug, combined into one full dose, are just as effective, but danger of ear injury is greatly lessened. Streptomycin is never given alone in cases of tuberculosis, because germs become resistant to this antibiotic very rapidly. But streptomycin combined with isoniazid or another T.B. drug retains its killing punch for a very long time.

Chemists are continually reshuffling the molecules, too. Terramycin and aureomycin are almost identical twins. The only difference is that aureomycin has an atom of chlorine where terramycin has an oxygen and hydrogen atom—enough, of course, to make them chemically different. Now the chemists have jimmied these atoms loose, to give us tetracycline, the newest antibiotic in wide use. Tetracycline is the main part of the molecule common to terramycin and aureomycin. As is fitting and proper, tetracycline closely resembles its parents in that it hits a wide variety of disease organisms, but possibly has a little less tendency to cause side effects.

Special-use drugs

You may not have heard of some existing antibiotics that have more limited and special uses. Any one of them might be the lifesaving measure to turn the tide if you or someone in the family is in desperate straits.

Neomycin attacks a wide range of bacteria and is perfectly safe and valuable for local use on the skin or in eye infections. It's safe to swallow, too, for it doesn't get outside the intestinal tract (which really isn't *in* the body, just surrounded by it) and this makes it valuable for sterilizing the bowel prior to surgery. An epidemic of infant diarrhea, cruel killer of the newborn, broke out in Children's Hospital of Michigan (Detroit). Neomycin routed causative organisms from the intestines of 21 premature babies, saved their lives. In emergencies, when other antibiotics failed, neomycin has been given by injection and has proved lifesaving.

Bacitracin attacks much the same bacteria as penicillin but is toxic to the kidneys if injected. However, in critical hospitalized cases, bacitracin has saved the patient when less-toxic drugs have failed. Bacitracin is safe and useful as an ointment and is quite often taken by mouth in combination with other antibiotics.

Polymyxin attacks relatively few bacteria, but those it does hit are among the toughest germ gangsters we can have the misfortune to play host to. It's an ace your doctor is glad to have in the hole, and he hopes he can keep it there.

New discoveries

Scores of new antibiotics are discovered every year, but most are too toxic for human use. However, new ones that are safe and effective do come along, and they tend to be aimed like bullets rather than buckshot against particular disease organisms for which we have not had many effective drugs, or none at all. For instance, there's fumagillin, which is completely useless against all bacteria. But it attacks the parasites that cause amebic dysentery, a disease (which can be fatal) that some public health authorities believe is amazingly widespread in our country.

Other sharpshooting antibiotics, now under intensive investigation, suggest the shape of drugs to come. There's anisomycin, a promising antibiotic for parasitic infections of the urogenital tract. And synnematin, an antibiotic developed by Michigan State Health Laboratories that is said to be "terrific" as a cure for typhoid fever. Fungus organisms, the kinds that cause ringworm and athlete's foot and serious internal infections, may

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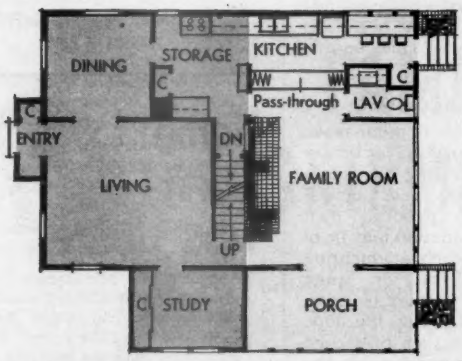
What a difference added space makes

By Mort Bowman

We needed more space. Either we had to build a new house or an addition to our old one. But by any classification, ours was a Traditional house—and we wanted to go Modern!

One glittering fact always came to the foreground when we discussed building a new house: We couldn't afford it! Besides, we liked our location, and our house was in good shape as it stood.

Architect John Byron Hackler's plans for our addition were better than we'd dared hope. We not only gained new space, but new comfort and convenience. Although entirely Modern inside, the addition is in perfect harmony with the original house.



Yellow shows new addition (18x36½) that doubled our living space. Kitchen gained 18 feet! We added a lavatory downstairs. Before, only bath was upstairs

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BEFORE. This small, screened porch, seldom used, was closed in for a study. New porch, family room, and kitchen extension were added on side and across rear of house where privacy is assured

AFTER. We still have our basic Traditional appearance from the outside. Addition was made without upsetting the balance or distorting lines of original house. Home is located in Pekin, Illinois

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Chemical name	Other names	Year discovered	Year marketed
Penicillin	*Many for special forms*	1927	1943
Hits many but not all bacteria. Can be given orally, locally, and by injection.			
Tyrothricin		1939	1941
Too toxic for injection, this antibiotic is used in ointments, lozenges, deodorants, and a tooth paste.			
Streptomycin		1944	1945
Attacks some bacteria that penicillin doesn't, notably the tuberculosis organism. Principal use is against this disease. Dihydrostreptomycin, a slight chemical variant, has the same uses.			
Bacitracin		1945	1947
Attacks roughly the same bacteria as penicillin but is more toxic when taken by injection and is, therefore, mostly given in ointments and by mouth in combination with some other drugs, particularly polymyxin, tyrothricin, and neomycin.			
Chloramphenicol	*Chloromycetin*	1947	1948
First wide-range, broad-spectrum antibiotic. Attacks many diseases caused by bacteria, Rickettsia (Rocky Mountain spotted fever, typhus, etc.), and large viruses (psittacosis). Drug of choice for typhoid fever.			
Polymyxin	*Aerosporin*	1947	1949
Attacks limited number of bacteria.			
Chlortetracycline	*Aureomycin*	1948	1948
A broad-spectrum antibiotic with range similar to that of chloramphenicol.			
Oxytetracycline	*Terramycin*	1950	1950
Wide-range antibiotic. Some antitubercular action, unlike chlortetracycline and chloramphenicol.			
Tetracycline	*Tetracyn, Panmycin, Achromycin, Polycycline*	1952	1953
Similar to chlortetracycline and oxytetracycline (all three drugs have same basic molecular structure).			
Fumagillin	*Fugillin*	1949	1951
Specific drug for amebic dysentery.			
Neomycin	*Mycifradin, Myciguent*	1949	1951
Attacks most bacteria. Is particularly useful against infections of the skin, eyes, and intestinal tract.			
Viomycin		1950	1952
Of limited usefulness as adjunct in treatment of tuberculosis.			
Carbomycin	*Magnamycin*	1951	1952
Range similar to penicillin. Useful against bacteria that become resistant to penicillin.			
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yield to antibiotics that aren't perfected yet. One of these is candicidin; another is malucidin. The latter was discovered by Yale University scientists and thus far has been used only to treat skin ailments of dogs.

Exciting things that are going on in laboratories today are thrilling promises of drugs we may have tomorrow. Puromycin is an antibiotic now being studied intensively by Lederle Laboratories' scientists. It promises to be effective against the parasites that cause African sleeping sickness. And in mice that have transplanted breast cancers, puromycin has caused the tumors to disappear in three-fourths of the mice, with no recurrence after a year of observation.

Puromycin (like dozens of other antibiotics) is still a laboratory drug, its medical uses unproved. It is not a cancer cure. It may never be. Yet, antibiotics cure diseases by interfering with life processes within the cells of microbes that cause the disease. May they not similarly interfere with the growth processes of cancer cells that have burst out of the body's chemical control? Might some antibioticlike chemical, yet to be discovered, destroy cancer cells selectively, as present antibiotics selectively destroy germ cells? Or may some other sought-for drug be as effective against viruses—of polio, influenza, colds—as present antibiotics are effective against bacteria?

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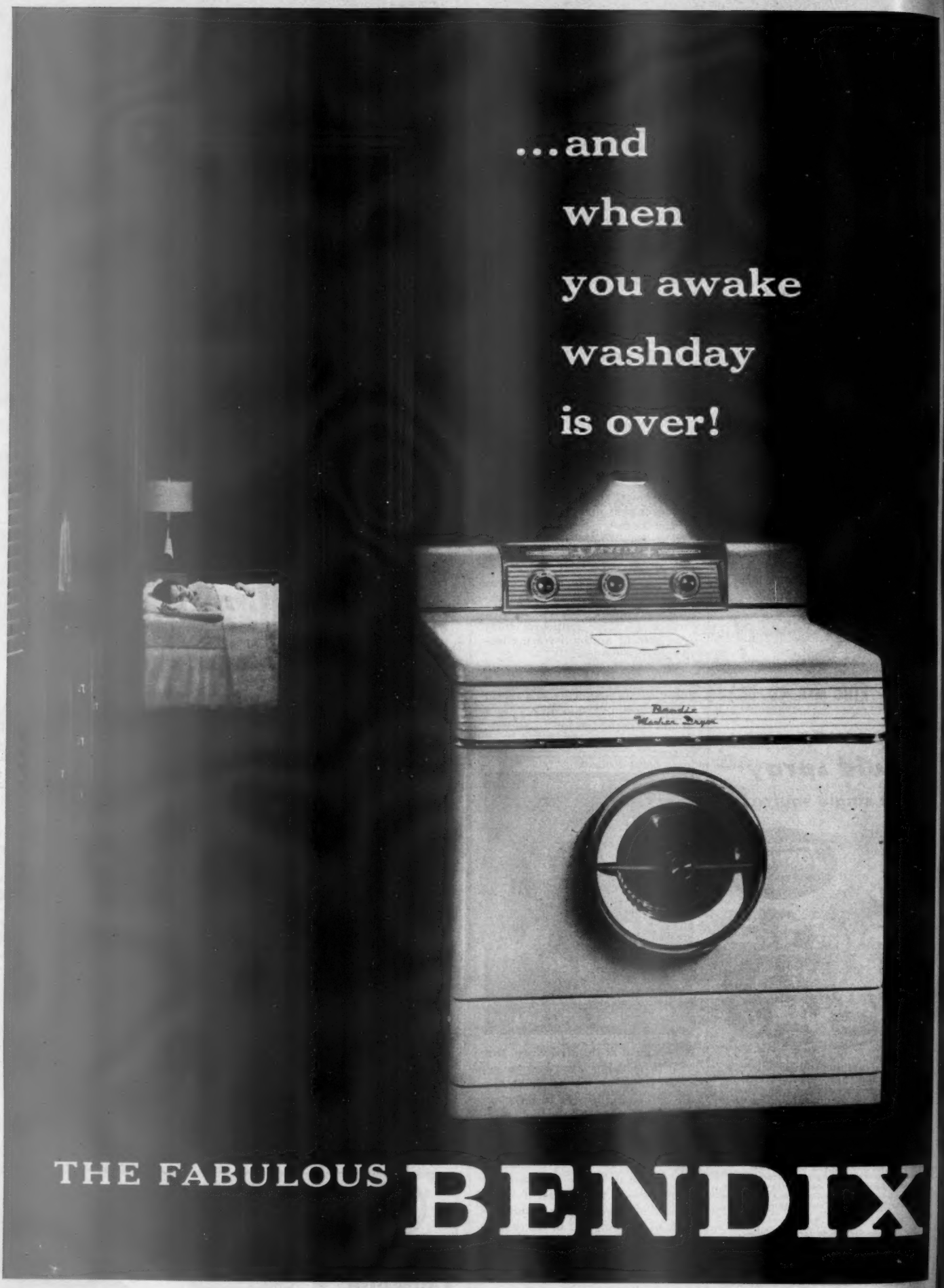
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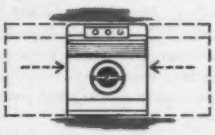

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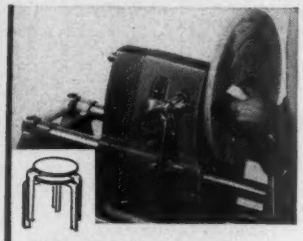

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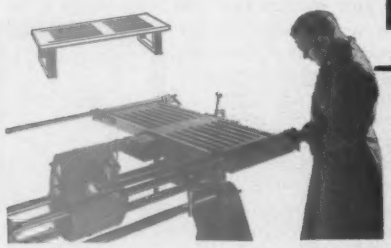

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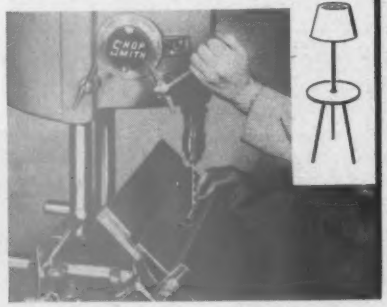

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added space makes

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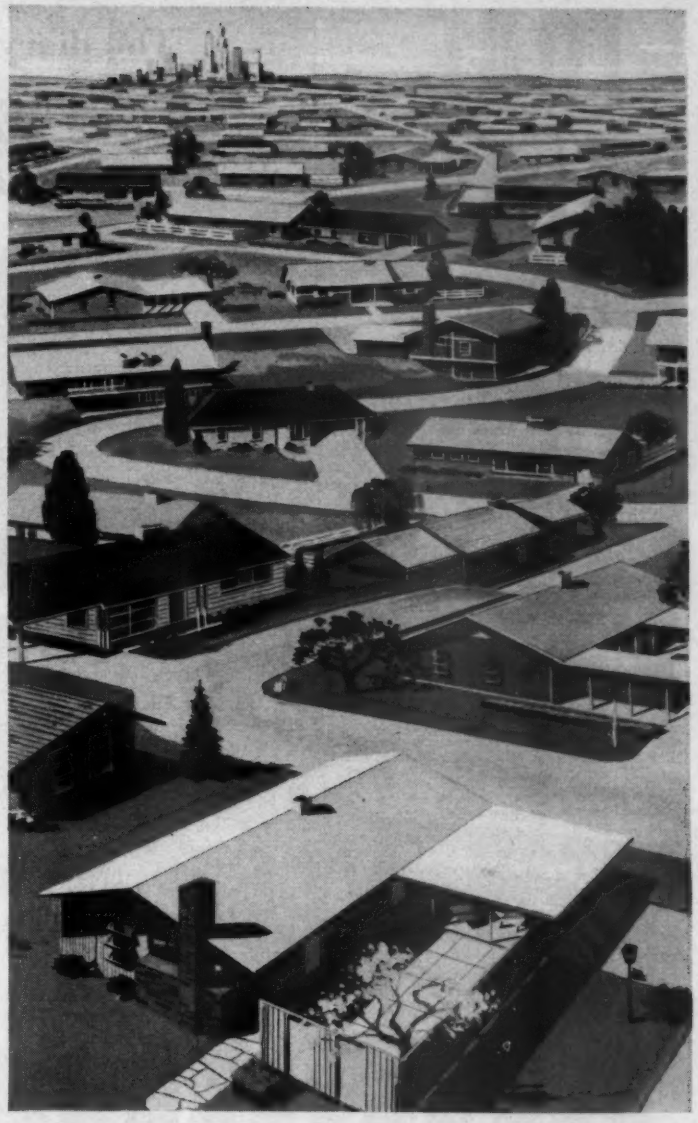
New kitchen—now 28 feet long—is divided into three areas: eating, work, storage. Cooking and cleanup section runs parallel to pass-through (right, with folding doors closed).

Ceiling drops in eating area; aisle narrows because new bathroom wall juts out at right. There are three windows over eating bar. Cabinets are birch; counter tops are laminated plastic.

What is now the storage area of our kitchen was almost the entire kitchen in our old house. The section pictured here has a shallow cabinet for canned goods and space for a home freezer.

Shallow cabinet is built into wall behind the fireplace in our new family room. Stairway to the basement is just behind open doors of cabinet, out of the way of kitchen traffic.



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After repairing the hotbed, I set it back next to the garage. Filled it up with my favorite planting mix, then started sowing rows of vegetable seed

March 1 That old lion surely took over today. All outdoors covered with 6 inches of white. My four-buckle arctics were at Donald's, so I put on my high-top garden shoes for what had to be done.

I filled up my dippers with sunflower seeds, scratch feed, and suet cakes, then sallied forth, a broom in one hand. I waded all around the place, swept snow off feeders. Put in extra supply of rations. Before I was back in the house, the birds were busy at breakfast.

I already have my name in the pot for some new roses. Those I'll be planting include the 1955 All-America winners—Tiffany, Jiminy Cricket, and Queen Elizabeth. Also Roundelay, Red Cap, Baby Blaze, La Jolla, Sun King, and Golden Masterpiece.

Some new annual seeds are already on hand. But I haven't made out my usual list of flower and vegetable seeds that I'll be getting from our local seed stores.

March 2 Took a holiday from the daily grind this p.m. Spoke to a local women's group about spring gardening. But I never made much headway.

Somebody broke in to ask a question about making a new lawn. Bless my soul if I didn't spend my whole time from then on just answering questions. How to prune roses in spring? Which is best plant food? What to do about a lawn in poor shape? Which is best way to use vermiculite in growing seedlings? How to get rid of crabgrass?

When the program chairman broke me off, I was at once surrounded by women with further questions. I finally broke away and made a dash for it, or I would have been there till suppertime.

What I told these ladies about a poor lawn is that the most important thing is to give it an application of plant food just as soon as possible. Feeding is the first step to getting a vigorous sod. This in turn aids control of crabgrass and other weeds.

As to which kind of plant food is best, I told them that absolutely the best in the world is whichever standard brand is carried by their own reliable local dealer. All of these are good. I did explain about general complete garden plant foods, special lawn foods with higher nitrogen content, and the high-analysis ones which dissolve in water.

March 3 Oh, how the lion roared again today. Winds howled up to 60 miles an hour. Thermometer kept falling all day long.

Put on good clothes again. Drove down to Neighbor Fisher's, picked him up, and off we went to the monthly meeting of our men's rose club. It was the smallest crowd in years. Only a few of the hard-boiled veterans braved the weather.

The program was a motion picture, with color and sound, about plant food and its uses. Quite interesting, too. Afterward, the brethern asked questions back and forth.

I had to laugh at some of them. They had been fooled by that April weather we had in February. Had been out doing their spring rose pruning and spading up new beds.

March 4 Made out my list of annuals and vegetable seeds which I'll round up at local seed stores. Flowers included some newer ones for my own edification, plus others for Maggie's scissors. I selected vegetables that do well around here. I checked disease-resistant kinds and the certified seed where they were listed. As for tomatoes, corn, and cabbage, I picked several varieties, which will mature at different times.

March 5 Still winter outside, but inside, on that tea wagon where Maggie has her winter garden, she wheels her house plants to and from windows as she deems best.

Her amaryllis plants are now in bloom, making a wonderful show. They bring so much cheer. The gloxinias, from bulbs planted in pots in January, are growing in a thrifty manner.

Stopped at the seed store on my way home and left my marked list of seeds. Told Miss Ruth to take her time putting up my order. Any time next week would do. The only ones I'll need this month are those to be sown in the electric hotbed.

Down at their house, Donald and Janet are not making out any seed lists. Janet is a thrifty soul, and Donald is part Scotch, like me. Their garden is so small that they just wait and use the seeds left in my packets after I finish.

March 7 Wonderful day to begin outdoor work. Snow all gone. Thermometer up. But I have a bad cold. Doc says to stay indoors. So I just watched through the windows and made plans for rest of the pruning, cleaning up, and when to get the hotbed going.

March 9 Oh happy day! There are spots of yellow clear across the front lawn. Groups of such out in the lawn in front of evergreens and bushes. I put out a lot of new crocus bulbs across rear lawn last fall, to match those we already had. Tulip and narcissus tips are showing.

March 11 Full of ambition, did sally forth before darkness. Was going to gather up that brush and begin pruning roses. But in the basement, I spied the cans and baskets plumb full of trash. So, I thought, I'll first get a start on this. Then, when David comes home from his business, he can take over.

Ground was too soft to use the wheelbarrow. So I carried out the trash by hand. I scattered some sawdust on the west rose bed, to aid in breaking up the heavy clay. Put paper under some bushes at the back, to be a mulch. Meanwhile, David came home, went into the house, and never came out

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Maggie took David around the house, reading a list of plants she wants watered while we're on a brief trip

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again. By that time, I was through—back too tired to do anything else.

March 12 On way home, stopped and picked up my order of seeds. Maggie nearly had a fit when she saw how many I had. I see, too, that I forgot onion sets and I still want some perennial seeds later.

March 13 Today, I stopped at Donald's. Crocuses I gave Janet last fall are coming in bloom there, too—all over the lawn. I see now that both there and at our place, we didn't plant the bulbs deep enough.

March 14 My business affairs make it necessary for me to take a trip down South—believe it or not—where it's warm and mebbe summer. Maggie is to go along for the buggy ride and take a vacation from cooking and dishwashing.

March 15 There was hustle and bustle around our household. I dashed to the office to get everything cleared up. Maggie made out a long list of things for David to do around the house. She told him about watering and care of African-violets, about gloxinias, and so on. I took him on a tour of inspection outside and pointed out current chores—picking up that brush and so on.

Then off we shivered while the air was filled with flurries of snow.

March 22 From down South, called home tonight to ask David how things were going. No answer. So called Donald. He told me that all was well. Winter was still on hand. I told him that it was summer where we were. We were wearing summer duds. Flowers in bloom.

March 27 Maggie and I are on our way north again. We have been where azaleas were in bloom by the millions, trees all leafed out. But last night, we got back to winter. This morning, heavy clothes again. Tonight, we are back home.

First thing, I noted that David had actually gathered up that brush and hauled it to the burn pile. I didn't know until later that his mother had sent him an airmail letter telling him to get it done.

Looked like a baseball catcher as I squatted in the muddy path to prune roses. Cut each back to a live bud

The tiger pussy had found her spring batch of kittens and is living in the east outside cellarway. David had washed up all the dirty dishes and cleaned up the kitchen. While Maggie put on her apron and went to work looking after her plants, I began pawing through the mountain of mail and papers.

March 29 Dashed to the office, found everything under control and I hadn't been needed. Hurried home, and out I went, bundled up with woolen pants and winter sweater under old overalls and denim jacket.

First chore was to begin the familiar routine with the little hotbed. The wire from the outlet at the garage to the thermostat had been broken by those fellows who repaired the garage last fall. So this was taken to basement and put back into place.

Then routine was to clear debris from hotbed. Work up mixture of equal parts of soil, sand, and peat and rake smooth. Then sow rows of tomatoes, cabbage, broccoli, and cauliflower. Put burlap on soil. Water over burlap to moisten. Put on sash. Plug in current.

March 30 Roses were on my mind for sure, this late afternoon as I sallied forth. Two bundles of the new ones have arrived, but ground seemed too wet to plant. So I left the bundles in the garage, unopened. If it stays wet, I'll unwrap them and heel them in somewhere, maybe in the coldframe.

Then out with pruning shears and lopping shears, to continue the spring pruning of the roses in the beds—a little of which I've already done. The bushes are killed back a lot, but plants are alive.

And brother, this is a hard job! Ground was so wet I couldn't put a knee down but had to squat by each bush, then hop along to the next. But I kept at it until more than half of the bushes had been whacked off. I try to make each cut just above where a live bud projects outward, so I'll grow a spreading bush.

Next, I give all the bushes a feeding with a complete-analysis plant food. I'd rather put this on after the first cultivation, but if ground stays too wet, I put it on before, then cultivate after the next rain has soaked in the plant food.

March 31 Dearie me—winter for sure, again. Thermometer down below freezing at breakfast. Never went far above all day. Stopped at Donald's, got little Gary and brought him out home. Put on leather coat and fed birds. Then baby-sitted with Gary while Maggie got supper. That was my garden work.

Here the month is over, and precious little signs of spring. No chance to make early-vegetable- and -flower-garden beds.

But glory be—Maggie reports buds are coming on the African-violets. Could it be that the neglect and lack of watering while we were gone have actually been good for them? Could it be that they haven't been blooming because Maggie had been watering them too much? Only time will tell.

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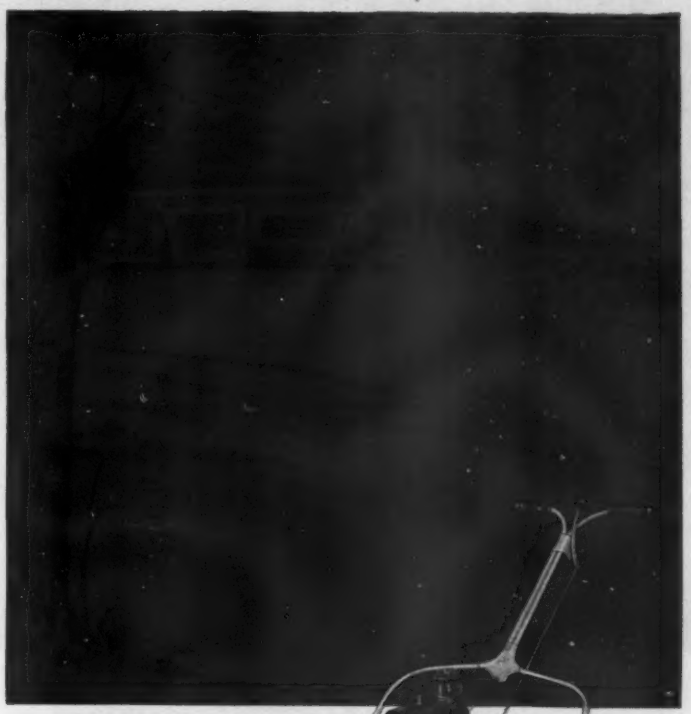

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Keep burlap or other wind protection around your new evergreens to keep them from drying out until April showers soak them.

Set out pansy plants toward the end of the month, as weather and soil permit.

Clip back evergreen hedges that have grown out of bounds.

Take away mulch from roses when weather begins to warm up. Don't remove mounded soil mulch until next month.

Prune your grapevines.

Renovate unsightly deciduous shrubs or hedges, such as honeysuckle, spirea, and the like, by cutting clear to the ground. They'll come back vigorously.

Stay off lawn while it's thawing.

SOUTH AND SOUTHEAST

Plant St. Augustine grass in shady spots in Lower South. Sow hulled Bermuda-grass seed in full-sun areas, or use carpet grass in sun or shade. In Middle and Upper South, use hardy mixtures.

Prune roses early in the month in the Middle South, and in mid-March in the Upper South.

Hurry to sow hardy annual flower seed in the Middle and Upper South. Plant tender annuals, such as salvia and zinnias, in sections below Birmingham and Atlanta.

Move your house plants outside when mild spring weather begins. They'll do best in partial shade.

Try the Suwanee River ligustrum, a dwarf variety of privet, where you want a slow-growing hedge.

Finish transplanting trees and shrubs in the Upper South, including figs, dogwoods, and magnolias.

TEXAS AND SOUTHWEST

Shear junipers and arborvitaes lightly to promote dense growth of these ornamental evergreens.

Prune roses. Remove oldest canes from the climbers.

Continue planting gladiolus bulbs at 10-day intervals for a succession of bloom.

Guard against late frosts by keeping cardboard boxes handy to shield tender plants from a late freeze.

Transplant the native hollies, such as Yaupon or Possumhaw, two of the best kinds.

Repot overgrown pot plants. Sink pots in shady spots in the garden for the summer.

Spray or dust with a multipurpose pesticide to protect garden plants from early pest invasions.

Water trees, shrubs, and other garden plants in dry areas. Finish planting trees and shrubs.

Try developing tropical effects around Spanish or

time to...

Jostle the mulch away from your strawberry plants to open the way for sunlight to reach leaves and start them growing early for best crop.

Spading fork works well for this job. Leave old mulch at sides of plant, where it will help keep berries clean.

Carefully remove the mulch from spring-flowering bulbs as soon as the buds on your early-flowering shrubs begin to swell. Bulb shoots need air, light.

Help your lawn to smother out weeds by giving it an early feeding of a complete plant food. Water it in.

Make job easier and quicker by using a standard spreader; or sprinkle plant food by hand. Use 2-3 pounds per each 10x10-foot area. Lawn will become too thick for late-starting weeds to penetrate.

Dig, divide, and transplant overgrown perennials. Cut back early-flowering shrubs when blooms fade.

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adobe architecture by putting in pampas grass, Spanish broom, yuccas, sumac, elephant ears, castor bean, or other dramatic varieties.

Divide and replant overcrowded clumps of early asters, chrysanthemums, and other late perennials.

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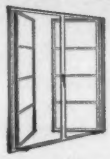

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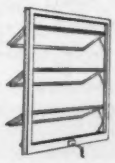

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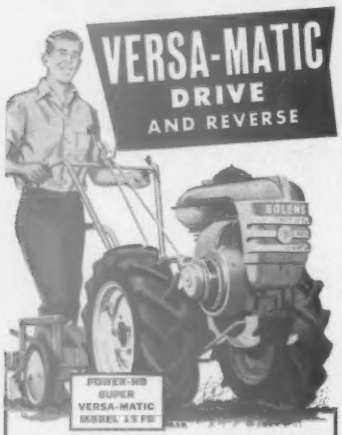

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CALIFORNIA

Start new lawns, feed old ones, and repair bare spots.

Keep an eye on shrubs and plants in the Sacramento and San Joaquin valleys after each windy day. They dry out quickly and may need extra water.

Plant the pink-saucer magnolia while it is in bud, or even in full bloom.

Finish planting bare root roses.

Renew your chrysanthemum bed by selecting the fresh, young growth to divide and transplant, and discarding all woody parts of each clump.

Feed and mulch fuchsias and continue to pinch off tips to encourage more branching.

Plant fuchsias, begonias, hibiscus, and bougainvillea in the fog belt. In Southern California, plant avocados and guavas.

Start tuberous begonias indoors in vermiculite, peat, or sand. Transplant when top is 2 inches tall.

Preserve your wooden plant tubs with a coat of asphalt paint on the inside.

Use wood preservative or a standard exterior paint to freshen outside of tubs.

Sand rust off metal parts before repainting them, and give each caster wheel a drop of heavy oil.

PACIFIC NORTHWEST

Push back into place those perennials heaved by frost.

Prune buddelias, vitex, and similar shrubs.

Complete plantings of dogwood, viburnum, other shrubs.

Remove winter mulch from asparagus and rhubarb beds.

Spade the flower borders and your vegetable plot when soil warms.

Cultivate lightly around bulbs and other early flowers.

Plant everbearing strawberries and bush fruits such as currants, raspberries, blackberries, boysenberries.

Touch up your ornamental trees and late-summer-flowering shrubs with the pruning snips.

Plant lettuce, onions, peas, radishes, other early crops.

Try starting some seeds in a sunny window indoors for a fast getaway when soil warms.

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Grandma's Oatmeal Bread

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2 packages active dry yeast or
2 cakes compressed yeast
½ cup water
1½ cups boiling water
1 cup quick-cooking rolled oats
½ cup molasses
⅓ cup shortening
1 tablespoon salt
5½ to 6 cups sifted enriched flour
2 beaten eggs

Soften active dry yeast in ½ cup *warm* water or compressed yeast in ½ cup *lukewarm* water. In large bowl, combine 1½ cups boiling water, rolled oats, molasses, shortening, and salt. Cool to lukewarm. Stir in about 2 cups of the flour; add eggs, beat well. Stir in softened yeast. Beat well. Add remaining flour to make soft dough. (Dough will be a little sticky.) Grease top lightly. Cover tightly and place in refrigerator at least 2 hours.* Turn out on well-floured surface and shape in 2 loaves. Place in greased 8½x4½x2½-inch loaf pans. Cover. Let rise in warm place until double, about 2 hours. Bake in moderate oven (375°) 40 to 50 minutes. Makes 2 loaves.

*Or, if more convenient, leave in refrigerator overnight.

Pancake roundup

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Hot Mince Cakes

½ cup sifted enriched flour
2 teaspoons baking powder
¼ teaspoon salt
½ cup yellow corn meal
1 slightly beaten egg
½ cup light cream
2 tablespoons milk
3 tablespoons salad oil or melted shortening
1 cup mincemeat

Sift together flour, baking powder, and salt. Stir in corn meal. Combine egg, cream, milk, and salad oil; stir into the flour mixture, blending well. Stir in mincemeat. Bake on hot lightly greased griddle. Serve these cakes with Orange Hard Sauce. Makes about twelve 4-inch pancakes.

Feather Pancakes

1 slightly beaten egg
¾ to 1 cup milk
2 tablespoons melted shortening or salad oil
1 cup sifted enriched flour
½ teaspoon salt
2 tablespoons baking powder*
2 tablespoons sugar

Combine egg, milk (for fat, fluffy cakes, use smaller amount), and shortening. Add sifted dry ingredients; beat smooth. Bake on hot griddle. (Pour batter from ¼-cup measure.) Makes about eight 5-inch cakes.

**No error*—2 tablespoons baking powder is correct! This makes the fluffy, cake-type griddle cake.

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Dessert Pancakes

1 cup sifted enriched flour
Dash salt
Dash nutmeg
1 egg
1½ cups milk

Blend dry ingredients; add egg and milk; beat thoroughly with electric mixer or rotary beater; strain out any lumps. Bake on a hot buttered griddle. Spread each cake with jam or preserves; roll. Sprinkle with confectioners' sugar. Makes about ten 5-inch pancakes.

Buttermilk Flapjacks

1¼ cups sifted enriched flour
1 tablespoon sugar
2 teaspoons baking powder
½ teaspoon soda
½ teaspoon salt
1 beaten egg
1 cup buttermilk
2 tablespoons melted shortening or bacon drippings

Sift flour with sugar, baking powder, soda, and salt. Combine egg, buttermilk, and shortening. Add to dry ingredients, stirring just till flour is moistened. (Batter will be lumpy.) Bake on hot griddle. Makes about eight 4-inch cakes. To match picture, double recipe and bake 6- to 7-inch cakes.

Orange Hard Sauce

¼ cup butter or margarine
1 cup sifted confectioners' sugar
¼ teaspoon grated orange peel
1 tablespoon orange juice

Cream butter or margarine; gradually add confectioners' sugar, and cream together till light and fluffy. Add orange peel and juice. Blend well. Makes ¾ cup.

Cinnamon Butter: Omit orange peel and juice; add ½ teaspoon cinnamon.

Blueberry Griddle Cakes

1 well-beaten egg
1 cup milk
¼ cup butter or margarine, melted
1 cup sifted enriched flour
2½ teaspoons baking powder
2 tablespoons sugar
¾ teaspoon salt
1 cup drained, frozen, or canned blueberries, or fresh berries

Combine egg, milk, and butter. Sift dry ingredients; gradually add to liquid, using rotary beater. Drop batter on hot lightly greased griddle, using ⅓-cup measure. Sprinkle about 2 tablespoons blueberries over each cake. When underside is golden, turn and brown other side. Makes about six 6-inch cakes.

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Big, roomy hole is your best assurance that trees will grow well. In grassy area, strip sod first, set to one side.

To speed cleaning-up after planting, place soil on tarp or in garden cart.

Center tree in hole on pulverized soil. Mix peat or compost with soil used to fill about roots. Break up clods.

Set tree at same level it grew in nursery. Spread roots in natural position and fill.

Water liberally when hole is almost full—2 gallons for each foot of hole diameter.

Finish filling hole with soil, then prune top lightly. Water again in two or three days if surrounding soil is dry.

Pick here the flower colors and sizes you need

Tree	Color	Height (feet)	Adaptation
Crabapple *many varieties*	Whites, pinks, and reds	10-20	Good wherever apples grow well. Many excellent named varieties available
Crapemyrtle *Lagerstroemia indica*	Red, pink, and lavender	10-20	All of South and warmer parts of both seaboards. Hardy to Baltimore in East. Shrubby in colder areas
Dogwood *Cornus florida*	White	15-18	Hardy except in colder parts of Midwestern and northeastern states. Variety rubra has deep-pink flowers
Goldenchain *Laburnum vossi*	Yellow	12	Southern half of United States and mild sections of Pacific Coast
Goldenrain-tree *Koelreuteria paniculata*	Yellow	25-30	Less hardy than dogwood, but same general range. Popular in Ohio Valley
Hawthorn— *Crataegus species*	White, pink, and red	15-25	Several types available, varying in hardiness. Succulenta is one of fine hardy species, and coccinioides is good in South
Japanese tree lilac *Syringa amurensis japonica*	Cream	20-30	Same general range as dogwood—less hardy than some of the shrub lilacs
Magnolia *many species*	White, pink	15-30	Favorites in South. Stellata is one of hardier types, veitchi one of most tender
Mountain-ash *Sorbus species*	White	20-25	All parts of northern United States. Does not grow as well in acid soils. Alnitolia grows best in milder sections
Oriental cherry *many varieties*	Pink, white	25	Same general range as peaches, but doesn't thrive in Deep South
Redbud *Cercis canadensis*	Magenta pink	20-25	Widely adapted except in most northern tier of states. Drouth-resistant once established. White forth available in some areas
Red horse-chestnut *Aesculus carnea*	Red	20	All except Deep South and coldest areas in Midwest. Briotti variety has larger flowers and bright scarlet color
White Fringe-tree *Chionanthus virginica*	White	20	Same general range as dogwood. Leaves appear late in spring. Shows up best in full sun

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Flowering trees...

Here's how to use them

With flowering trees, you can give your home a "planted" look in a hurry. They grow fast, and they give you a treeful of flowers while they're doing it.

Every region has its favorites—dogwoods in the South, crabapples in the Midwest, hawthorns and cherries in the North. Most nurseries offer a variety of trees, giving you a choice of shapes, sizes, and flower colors. Whichever tree you buy, you'll get something that's easy to care for, easy to grow. With a good start, your trees will serve a lifetime.

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Flowering trees give you spring color, summer shade, and special accents any season

Terrace shade

Use a flowering tree for terrace shade, and their small size and filtered shade will let you grow flowers close to lounging area—bulbs in spring, annuals in summer. Plant trees that won't drop fruit, twigs on terrace

Lot-line screen

You can mark your lot line with flowering trees without using too much lawn space. Plant trees close to get screening effect of a hedge. Bulbs underneath give extra color in spring. Cherries, plums are good here

Quick results

Try a clump of trees to get an interesting natural effect and a big show quickly. Intertwine roots of three or more in extra-big hole. Redbuds, shadbush, similar informal trees adapt well to this natural grouping

Lawn accents

Flowering tree makes a handsome specimen standing alone, but its position should not be too bare and exposed. Place tree so it can be viewed from several places—from kitchen window, perhaps, as well as from street

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Framing entrance

For framing, choose trees that grow upright rather than sprawling. Crapemyrtles, plums grow tall enough to frame a gate, yet not tall enough to dwarf it. Use smooth-branched types so stray limbs won't scratch passers-by

Corner accent

To save space on small lots, use corners for flowering trees. If lot line is planted, pick tree taller than existing shrubs to get effective accent. Apples, cherries, and other fruits give shade enough for loafing bench

Added privacy

With one tree, well placed, you can screen poor view, get privacy from street. Most flowering trees branch low, give more privacy than bigger trees. In bloom, you will welcome them in view out picture window

Shrub border

In early life, flowering trees are semi-shrubby, so they blend well with border plantings. Even when mature, they give little competition to neighboring plants. Check list on next page for colors, heights

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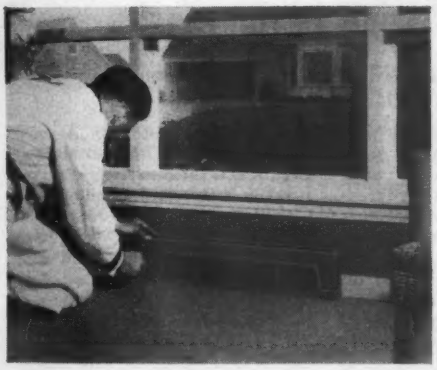

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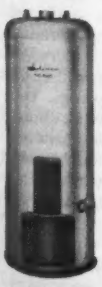

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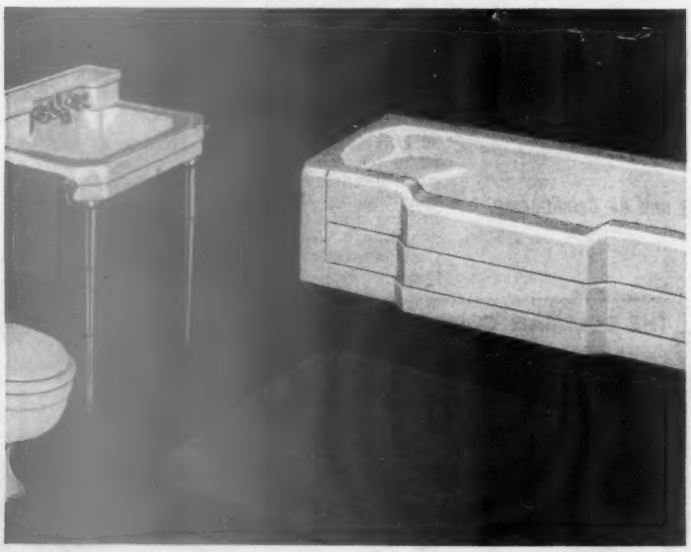

Why tubeless tires?

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Q. *Do you take tubeless tires off the rim the same way you do conventional tires with tubes?*

A. More care must be taken with tubeless tires to prevent damaging the beads and rims. Use a bead breaker. *Do not* use a hammer. You can use tire irons, but they should not have rough or sharp edges. Rim condition is more important with tubeless tires since high spots and dents can cause leaks.

Q. *How are tubeless tires repaired?*

A. There are four basic methods of repairing tubeless tires.

1. *Hot-patch method.* This method is often preferred for holes up to ½ inch in diameter. The procedures for curing hot-patch materials vary, so *check instructions that come with materials being used.*

2. *Rubber-plug method.* This method is usually suggested for holes of from 3/32 to ¼ inch in diameter. Some plugs are inserted from the inside, which means taking the tire off the rim. Some are inserted from the outside with the tire left on the rim. *Follow instructions carefully.*

3. *Repair-gun method.* This method is for holes of less than 3/32 inch in diameter. Tire needn't be removed from the rim.

4. *Cold-patch method.* Not permanent. Use only in an emergency.

U. S. 66—big swing to the coast

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routes of experienced east-west travelers. Over 1,100 miles of its 2,200-mile length are newly paved or rebuilt; 500 miles of it are three- and four-lane highway. The four-lane stretches come where they are most appreciated—as you approach the larger cities, and on steep grades where trucks could slow you up. The road is a fast, direct, all-weather route to the coast whenever that's your objective. If you're out to see the West—as it is today and as it lingers on the pueblos of the Southwest; if you've told yourself that your children should learn firsthand some of the history they've read in books and see such natural wonders as the Grand Canyon or man-made marvels like Hoover Dam, then you couldn't do better than to choose 66. Or, if you're simply out for a good vacation full of variety, it's there for the driving along this famous road about which books and songs have been written.

If you're coming from the East and want to bypass Chicago, U. S. 6 and U. S. 30 intersect Route 66 at Joliet, Illinois, 50 miles southwest of Chicago. U. S. 40 from Indianapolis and Columbus, Ohio, hits 66 just east of St. Louis.

The Lincoln country. From Chicago to Joliet, 66 is a fast, four-lane road that bypasses suburban towns and gets you on your way across pleasant Illinois farmland. In Springfield, state capital, you'll want to visit the Lincoln home at Eighth and Jackson streets, and the Lincoln tomb and monument in Oak Ridge Cemetery. New Salem Village, where as a young man Lincoln studied law, failed as a storekeeper, and met Ann Rutledge, is just 20 miles northwest of Springfield via State Route 97. This authentically reproduced village is well worth the side trip.

St. Louis. U. S. 66 enters from the north and circles around the west side, so if you want to see the city, take City Route 66 downtown. Biggest treat in the city for the kids is the famous zoo in Forest Park. Wild-animal-training shows are presented daily.

Cave country. Meramec Caverns, "Jesse James's Hideout," is 3 miles south of Stanton. It's safe, well lighted. There is an admission charge, and you can get conducted tours every half hour. Meramec State Park and Forest, 5 miles farther west on 66, has more than 20 caves and numerous springs. You can camp, picnic, and swim. Onondaga Cave, 7 miles off 66, between Bourbon and Cuba, offers you the longest boat ride of any American cavern. There is an admission fee of $1.50.

The Missouri Ozarks. As you roll through Rolla and on toward

Lebanon, you're in one of the most scenic sections of the Ozarks. Just 12 miles off 66 out of Lebanon is Bennett Springs State Park, a good place to stop for the night or for a picnic lunch. It's the locale of Harold Bell Wright's *The Calling of Dan Matthews*. Springfield is midway between the Lake of the Ozarks region and the *Shepherd of the Hills* country to the south. So if it's an Ozarks vacation you want, 66 will get you there.

The Will Rogers Memorial. West of Joplin, 66 cuts across the southeast corner of Kansas and enters Oklahoma. Just 17 miles south of Vinita lies the Grand Lake recreation area. At Claremore, visit the beautiful Will Rogers Memorial. The Davis gun collection in the Mason Hotel is one of the largest in the world.

The Turner Turnpike. Tulsa spells oil; from this point to Oklahoma City, you begin to see oil derricks. Just west of Tulsa, 66 is paralleled by the Turner Turnpike, 90 miles of new four-lane toll road. You can stay on 66 and travel toll-free, or, for $1.40, see what it's like to travel 90 miles without a single stop. Without exceeding the speed limit, you can reach the outskirts of Oklahoma City in an hour and a half.

Oklahoma City. If you haven't had a chance to see an oil well up close, at the intersection of 66 and U. S. 77, detour a mile south on 77 to the state-capitol grounds. They are pumping oil right on the grounds; there's even a well underneath the building. Route 66 across Oklahoma doesn't give you a fair picture of the state; the farmland is richer and the country more scenic a few miles north and south of the road. But as soon as you leave Oklahoma City behind, you can almost feel the West begin; you're out in cattle country, "where the wind comes sweeping 'cross the plain."

The Texas Panhandle. Texas, no doubt about it, is big, but 66 cuts across the slim panhandle where you get the job done in 193 miles—and 77 miles of that is on four-lane highway.

Tucumcari, New Mexico. Anybody in town can tell you the legend of Mt. Tucumcari and where to find the Elk Drug Store. As Will Rogers once said, "It's nice to meet a man once in a while that don't try to sell you anything." Herman Moncus won't sell you any of the 9,000 valuable relics of the Old West he has on display in his store, but he's glad to tell you where and how he found them. He'll also tell you about the Model-T days on 66, when one trip he took from Flagstaff to Tucumcari took 3 weeks.

Old Santa Fe. Clines Corners lies 100 miles west of Tucumcari at the junction of U. S. 285. You can take this cutoff to Santa Fe, or continue on to Albuquerque, and drive up to Santa Fe on U. S. 85. Santa Fe is the capital of New Mexico and the oldest seat of government in the United States. Four hundred years before Europeans settled it, in 1610, it was an important pueblo. Be sure to visit the Palace of the Governors, once the residence of Spanish captains-general, Mexican governors, and territorial governors appointed by the president until as late as 1907.

Albuquerque. Don't underestimate the sight-seeing possibilities in and around this modern city: the University of New Mexico campus, Sandia Rim Drive, Old Town Plaza (just off Route 66 as you head west) where some of the early buildings are preserved.

Deep in Navajoland. From Albuquerque to Gallup, you see the roadside stands of Navajos peddling the pottery and woven rugs made in the pueblos. Tune your car radio to Gallup, and you'll hear Navajo music and Navajo commercials. The Inter-Tribal Indian Ceremonial is held every year at Gallup about the middle of August. Indians from 35 different tribes participate. This is no mere tourist come-on; it's something you shouldn't miss if you're traveling Route 66 in mid-August.

The Painted Desert. Just before you reach Holbrook, the Painted Desert and the Petrified Forest come down to the highway and do their own advertising. When you learn how long it took to turn those trees to stone, you'll wonder about people who speed by, unwilling to spend five minutes learning about the world in which we live.

Oak Creek Canyon. From Flagstaff, you can: (1) turn north on U. S. 89 to Cameron and the Grand Canyon, (2) continue west on U. S. 66 and make the Canyon trip out of Williams on State 64, or (3) you can take the rewarding side trip to Oak Creek Canyon and Jerome via Alternate U. S. 89. Sedona, in the heart of this beautiful canyon, is often used as headquarters for movie companies on location. On this side trip, you will pass the road to Montezuma Castle National Monument, and, near Clarkdale, Tuzigoot. At these prehistoric Indian villages, rangers will give you an idea of what went on here about 800 years ago. Jerome is the West's newest ghost town. It's so new—the copper

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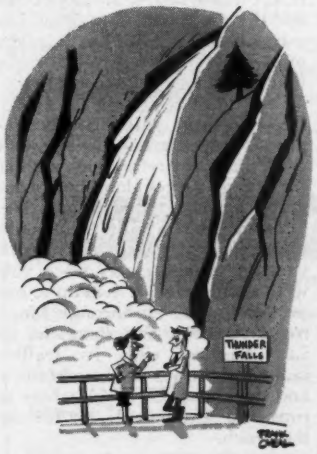

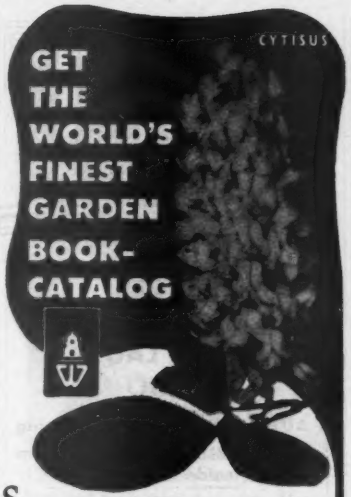

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Handy Home Hints

ON CARE AND REPAIR

by Peter Putter

Have you been annoyed, as have many of my friends, by an ugly crack around your bath tub and sink?

They tell me there are some 20 million bath tubs in America. And it has been established that most of them suffer from the same thing: an unsightly crack around the tub where it joins the wall. Believe me, that crack can be an awful nuisance. It keeps many a housewife in a constant dither—trying to clean up the deteriorating plaster.

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Another place I've found this product invaluable is where the shower stall fits over our bath tub. I never found anything before that really sealed the metal channel along the rim of the tub.

In fact, Schalk's Tile Paste is good for any number of repair jobs around the house. It's the strongest, most rugged adhesive ever made for those hard-to-do jobs. Sticks to glass, steel, ceramics—truly White Magic!

Not so long ago my wife Polly asked me to fix some old bric-a-brac. You guessed it—I used Schalk's Tile Paste. The next job she handed me was to reset the loose towel rack in our bathroom. And next was the plate glass fish aquarium—which had been leaking for some time. Again Schalk's Tile Paste did the trick. It hasn't leaked since.

Yes, folks, I use Schalk's Tile Paste for every job that needs sticking or sealing. It is indispensable in my home. You'll find it indispensable in yours, too!

NOTE: *Other Home Repair Products recommended by Peter Putter: Double X Varnish Remover; Waxoff; Savabrush; Liquid Savabrush; Savabrush Roller-Cleaner; Schalk's Patch Paste, Tile Cement, Wood Putty, Water Putty, Peter Putter's Plaster Pencil, Spot Remover. Made by Schalk Chemical Company, Los Angeles and Chicago.*

U. S. 66—
big swing to the coast

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mine ran out in 1953—that when you see its fairly modern buildings sprawled on the side of Mingus Mountain, you won't believe it's deserted. But walk its silent streets at midday and hear your footsteps echoing from the empty store fronts, and you'll catch the mood of the place. Return north on U. S. 89—at the junction outside Prescott—to U. S. 66. Return to Williams for Arizona 64 and the Grand Canyon.

The Grand Canyon. Arizona 64 leads directly to Grand Canyon Village, with its hotel, lodge, cabins, and wonderful campground. Drive west to Hermit's Rest, stopping at Hopi and Mohave Point. Return and take the East Rim drive as far as Navajo Point. Return to Flagstaff via Cameron, or to U. S. 66 at Williams.

Hoover Dam. At Kingman, U. S. 93 branches off northwestward to Hoover Dam and Las Vegas. This is such a favorite side trip with tourists that it is almost considered alternate U. S. 66. You'll want to spend time at the dam for an elevator trip down into its inner workings and perhaps take a dip in Lake Mead, the man-made lake that stretches for miles above the dam. When you climb from the sweltering midsummer temperatures at the dam to the oasis that is Boulder City, you won't need urging to rest awhile in its tree-shaded, breeze-swept city park before continuing on to Las Vegas. Travel is never so broadening as when you catch the expression on the faces of those crowded around the gaming tables in the gambling resorts; you don't have to pay—or play—for this education.

The Mojave Desert. U. S. 91 from Las Vegas to Barstow, California—where you rejoin U. S. 66 and continue on to Victorville—cuts across the great Mojave Desert. It is something to be reckoned with in midsummer; if you can't stand intense heat, better plan your driving accordingly. Leave Las Vegas—or Kingman, Arizona, if you've stayed on U. S. 66—well before dawn, or rest the day before and drive at night. The desert has a beauty all its own, but it is best appreciated before the heat waves undulate above the pavement.

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3 Water lawns liberally—at least an inch of water at a time. Once every 10 days is usually adequate even in hot part of summer

4 When you mow

- Regular mowing is a basic part of good lawn care. Mow frequently enough so no more than an inch of top is cut off grass at one time.
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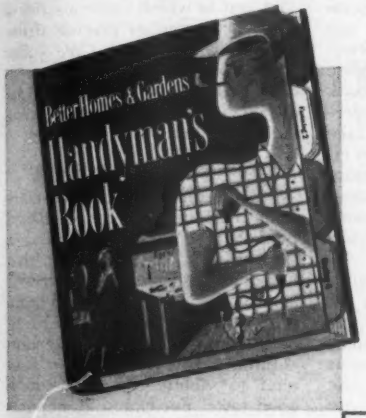

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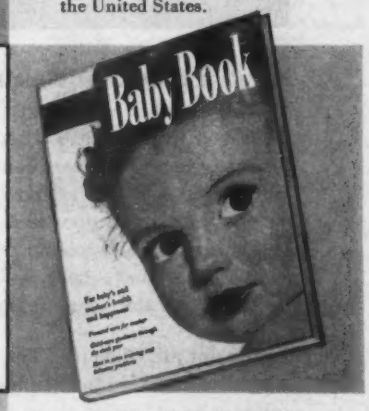

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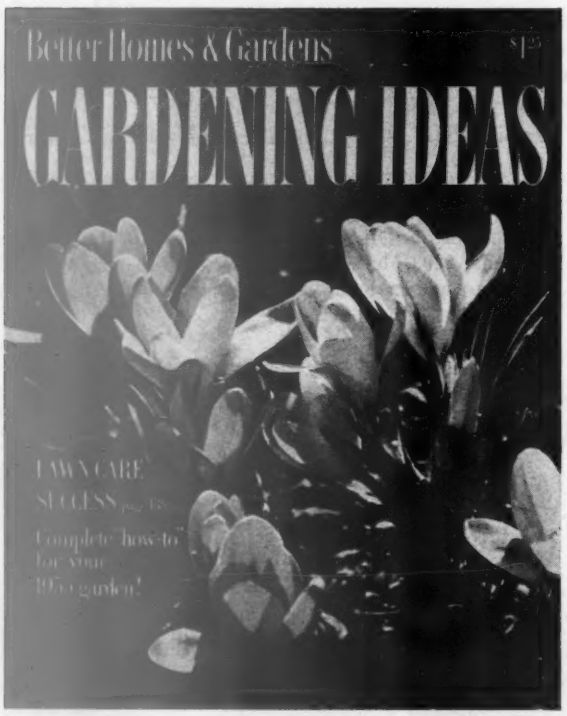

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How they're cleaning up the

objectionable books were burned, banned, or boycotted. In several cities, local legislation was enacted to prohibit the sale of comic books.

Publishers suffered

As a result of this grass-roots rebellion against offensive comic books, even the ethical publishers started to suffer. Circulations dipped. It was paradoxical that while parents would allow their children to enjoy the six-shooting adventures of Hopalong Cassidy on the TV screen, following his exploits in a comic magazine was *verboten*. The crusade against the bad comics had caused thousands of parents to indict the harmless ones. All the publishers were depicted as "monsters," despite the fact that the majority of them are responsible citizens.

A special joint legislative committee appointed by New York State to investigate comics publications summed it up this way: "The entire industry is condemned because of the objectionable comic books that are published, and public reaction and feeling are not confined to the individual offenders. . . . The Committee therefore recommends that the comic-book industry itself, under the leadership of the largest producers, take immediate steps to organize an effective, all-inclusive, self-regulatory association with an independent administrator without industry connections acting as the review agency."

Realizing that this was the handwriting on the wall, and that the industry's second chance for survival was to establish a voluntary system of self-censorship analogous to Hollywood's "Breen Office," the majority of the publishers went into action in less time than it takes Superman to fly around the world.

In what has since turned out to be the industry's most historic meeting, 24 of the field's publishers, responsible among them for 338 different magazines, gathered together one afternoon last September to form an organization known as the Comic Magazine Association of America. Also recruited as members were representatives of 7 distributing companies, 6 printing firms, and 5 engraving companies. By a unanimous vote, all the members agreed to appoint a comics "czar" to police the industry. They further agreed that they would not publish, print, illustrate, or distribute any comics material not bearing the czar's seal of approval. Violation of this agreement would call for expulsion from the association.

Dell Publishing Company, the nation's largest single comics-book publisher, did not join the association. Dell maintains that its own high standards eliminate objectionable material. As this goes to press, it is reported that Classics Illustrated and Entertaining Comics have also refused to join. Parents who wish ratings of these holdouts —and all other comic books for that matter—can obtain them by writing the Cincinnati Committee on the Evaluation of Comic Books, Box 1486, Cincinnati, Ohio. Rating sheets are supplied at 5 cents each, or $16 per thousand.

Murphy appointed head

Next step for the Comic Magazine Association was to find the "czar" best qualified to fill the stormiest job in modern publishing history. After screening more than a dozen good men, they selected tall and big-framed, 44-year-old Charles F. Murphy, popular New York City magistrate originally appointed by the late, incorruptible Fiorello La Guardia.

Judge Murphy's record speaks for itself. During the past five years, he has organized many projects to combat and reduce juvenile delinquency. In 1951, alarmed by the increase in the number of teenagers appearing before his bench, he called a conference of high-school principals and other educators, out of which came a series of projects to combat juvenile delinquency in New York City. Judge Murphy is also founder and president of Teen Plan, Inc., a private organization devoted to helping teen-agers find suitable careers.

"Comics need face lifting"

"Gentlemen," this mild-mannered Irishman told the assembled publishers, "the comics need a face lifting. It is not enough that horror and sex must be outlawed from your pages. If we're to begin Operation Clean-Up, let's go all out. From cover to cover, we must eliminate any nuances that may tend to violate the standards of good taste. For example, we must discourage bad grammar. I'm against stereotyped characterizations which tend to portray Italians as organ-grinders, Jews as pawnshop owners, Greeks as restaurant owners, and Negroes as porters. We must work out a code of do's and don'ts with teeth, steel-sharp teeth, in it. And you must grant me *carte blanche* authority to administer this code in respect to everything that goes into your publications, from a cover to a caption. Unless you promise me this privilege—with no strings attached—you'll have to get yourself another boy!"

In the end, the inevitable grumblings gave way to unanimous concession, and Operation Clean-Up bulldozed its way through in the form of a code closely patterned after the standards established by the motion-picture, radio, and television industries.

Restriction examples

In many respects, the new comics code has sterner moral standards than any other entertainment medium. Section A, which deals with editorial matter, imposes 30 important restrictions. Here are some examples:

comic books

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1. Crimes shall never be presented in such a way as to create sympathy for the criminal, to promote distrust of the forces of law and justice, or to inspire others with a desire to imitate criminals.
2. No comics shall explicitly present the unique details and methods of a crime.
3. Criminals shall not be presented so as to be rendered glamorous or to occupy a position that creates a desire for emulation.
4. Scenes of excessive violence shall be prohibited. Scenes of brutal torture, excessive and unnecessary knife- and gunplay, physical agony, gory and gruesome crime shall be eliminated.
5. Policemen, judges, government officials, and respected institutions shall never be presented in such a way as to create disrespect for established authority.
6. No unique or unusual methods of concealing weapons shall be shown.
7. Scenes dealing with or subject matter associated with walking dead, torture, vampires, ghouls, cannibalism, and werewolfism are prohibited.
8. Ridicule or attack on any religious or on any racial group is never permissible.
9. Profanity, obscenity, smut, vulgarity, or words or symbols that have acquired undesirable meanings are forbidden.
10. Any references to physical afflictions or deformities shall be avoided.
11. Respect for parents, the moral code, and for honorable behavior shall be fostered.
12. The treatment of love-romance stories shall emphasize the value of the home and the sanctity of marriage. Divorce shall not be treated humorously nor represented as desirable. Illicit sex relations are neither to be hinted at nor portrayed.

Advertisements screened

The code also cracks down on the objectionable advertisements that used to seep into some of the comic books. Inspect this month's crop of seal-approved comics, and you will find that the big purge has eliminated ads featuring the sale of switch-blade knives, realistic guns, and other dangerous weapons. The code also prohibits liquor and tobacco advertising, ads offering fireworks, ads dealing with the sale of gambling equipment.

Under the strict provisions of the code, sex ads are doomed to take a permanent holiday from the pages of comic books. The sale of "sex instruction" books, picture post cards, "pin-ups," "art studies," or any other reproduction of nude or seminude figures is prohibited. Also taboo are advertisements of medical, health, or toiletry products not endorsed by the American Medical Association or the American Dental Association.

To plug up any possible loopholes not covered by the code, Judge Murphy asked for—and was granted—the inclusion of a final, "catchall" clause, to wit:

"All elements or techniques not specifically mentioned herein, but which are contrary to the spirit and intent of the code, and are considered violations of good taste or decency, shall be prohibited."

Code distributed

Thousands of copies of the code were printed and distributed to every editor, writer, artist, and production man in the business. Released to civic groups, law-enforcement agencies, and church groups, the code drew unprecedented acclaim. Among the numerous organizations that went on record as endorsing the industry's self-regulation program were the Boy Scouts of America, the National Conference of Christians and Jews, the American Legion, the Police Athletic League, and the St. Louis Council of Parent-Teacher Associations.

"This tremendous public response to the announcement of our program holds out great hope for our future activities," stated John L. Goldwater, president of the Comics Magazine Association. "Our next major task is to show the nation that we really mean business—that the comics-magazine industry has fully accepted its responsibility to the parents and youth of America. We are confident that, with Judge Murphy's guidance and the complete cooperation of our industry, we can fulfill that responsibility."

How grimly the new association meant business is illustrated by the immediate casualties suffered by some of its members the day after the code went into effect, October 26, 1954. Because one section of the code stipulated that no comic magazine shall use the words horror or terror in its title, at one fell swoop 33 of this objectionable variety simply ceased to exist. Also victims of the Murphy massacre were thousands of dollars worth of scripts and drawings in publishers' inventories which had to be scrapped because of nonconformance with the new regulations.

Due to the exigencies of publication, it was agreed that March, 1955, would be the target date for comic books with the "new look." There were frantic last-minute deletions, rewrites, and revisions. Bosomy heroines underwent a process that came to be known as "Dior-izing."

Five reviewers hired

To handle the tidal flow of material submitted for approval to his office, Judge Murphy hired a staff of five female reviewers, all of them with college backgrounds and other qualifications pertinent to this specialized chore. Joan T. Nourse, for example, holds a Ph.D. degree, was formerly a member of the English Department of Hunter College, and is known for her lectures on morality. Dena Reed for 12 years served as assistant editor in the story department of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer. Sue Flynn put in a 10-year stint with the U. S. In-

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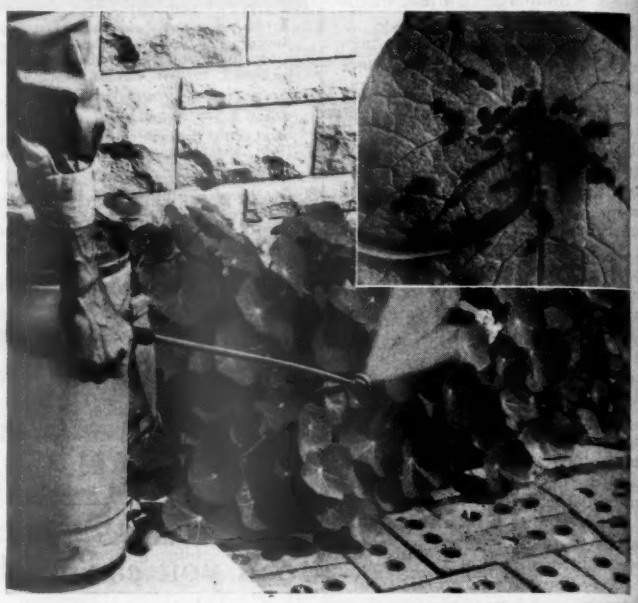

Black aphids are sucking on your nasturtiums. They will sap the plants of their strength, causing fewer blossoms. Since the black aphids are underneath the leaves, poison must be directed up underneath plants to reach them. The poison should touch their bodies. Use nicotine sulfate, rotenone, or a multipurpose spray at 3- or 4-day intervals until the plants are clean

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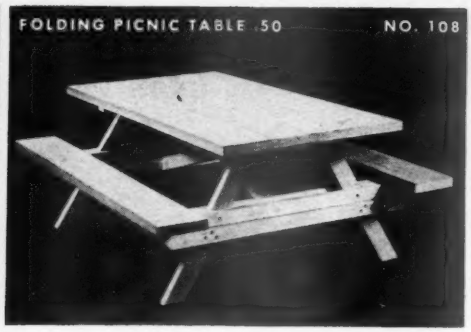

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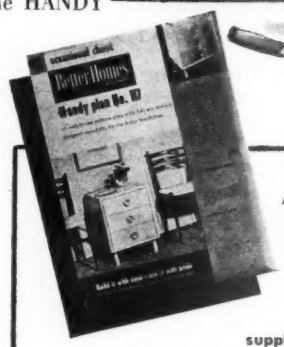

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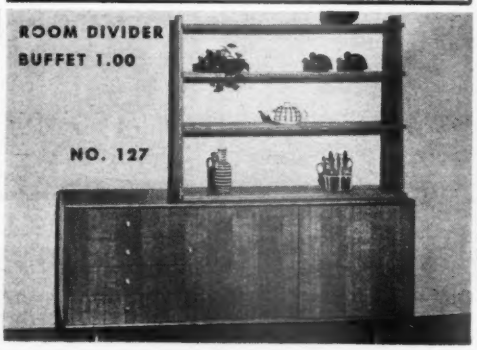

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Your pet and mine

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We don't know what to do with our dog. We have tried to be strict, to train him to behave, we have followed training instructions in a couple of dog books, but he still does everything a dog should not. He barks constantly if he is in the yard, he chases cars, also boys on bicycles, and he will not come when called. If we try to punish him, he snaps at us. Perhaps we have done something wrong, but don't know what. Could you advise?—Mrs. M. J., Colorado.

The majority of puppies make satisfactory pets, and most bad traits that develop are usually a result of poor training. In extreme instances, however, there are a few inherited traits that are very difficult to correct. There is recognized in children a trait of mental retardation, and this is also found in dogs. If dogs, like some people, are born deficient, their mental capacities cannot be restored. Akin to this is the exceedingly shy dog, the neurotic dog, and the habitual biter. If these mental deficiencies are suspected, get an authoritative opinion regarding the dog. And if you do find that you have a mentally deficient dog, accept the decision of your consultant and get rid of the undesirable pet immediately before family attachment is too strong. The world is full of good, lovable dogs, and it is a grave error for a family to allow itself to be harnessed to a dog with undesirable traits.

I have a female kitten. How often does a cat have kittens, and when is the best time to have her spayed?—Mrs. W. H. S., Arkansas.

A cat can have kittens two or three times a year. She can be spayed at any time, preferably around 6 months of age.

My collie is frightened by people. She runs and hides when people come to our home, although she has never been whipped, teased, or hurt. Is there anything that we can do to make a good watchdog of her?—Mrs. E. W. R., New York.

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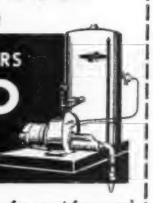

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Artist designs. Some of America's easel artists have now turned their talents to the design of wallpaper. The Associated American Artists has been commissioned to create new styles.

More murals. The popularity of murals increases. They are especially effective in open-plan homes where you want to create a vista from a room or, in smaller homes, to give an illusion of space. One of the new scenics is machine-made rather than a screen print. This means that you can buy a wall decoration 14 feet in running width for about $15. Now scenics are available in every price range.

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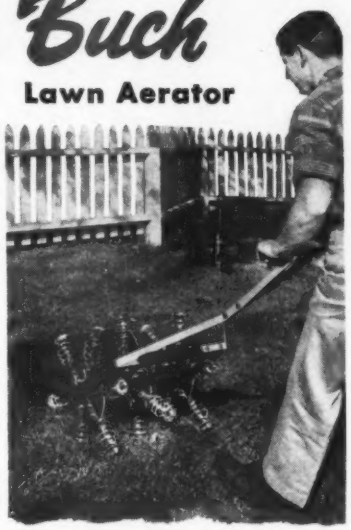

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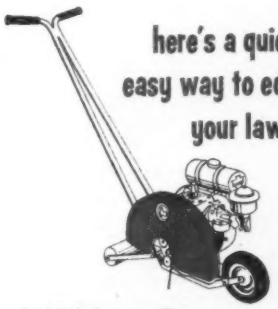

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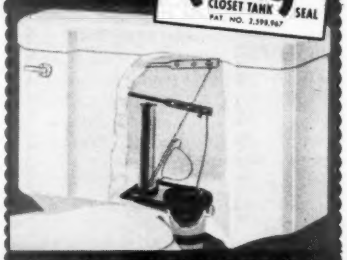

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Use this guide to keep your lilacs in top shape.

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Prune. Cut out old stems at ground level every third year.

These crowd younger, more vigorous canes, and produce only inferior blooms.

Prune as the blooming season ends, while you can still spot scraggly flowers.

Also eliminate all crossing stems, and suckers you don't want as part of shrub.

Feed. Give your lilacs a complete plant food as they finish their blooming season.

This is their main growth period, when next year's buds are being formed.

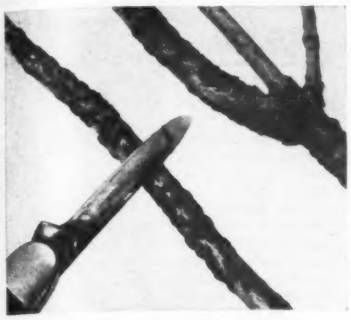
Sprinkle plant food on surface of soil in a circle the circumference of the branches, then rake in lightly.

Water. Move plant food to roots fast, while plant is in most active growth, by soaking it deep into soil.

Folded burlap makes good baffle to break force of water, prevent soil washing.

In acid-soil areas, an annual dose of lime is a good idea. Use about 2 handfuls of crushed limestone for each bush to keep soil "sweet."

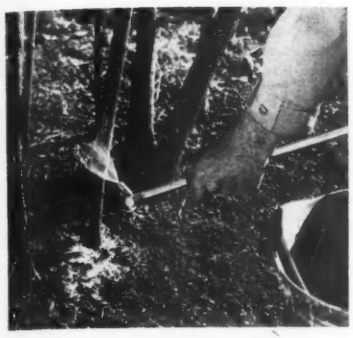
Keep an eye out for these two lilac pests



Scale. Inspect the bark of stunted or wilted canes for oyster-shell scales.

They resemble tiny oyster-shells. Under each scale is an insect which sucks out the vital plant juices.

In severe cases, scale almost completely covers bark and can kill the entire bush.



Use a dormant spray of miscible oil to suffocate insects in their shells in winter.

During the growing season, you can check spread of scale with nicotine sulfate until an oil spray can be used.

Or, brush miscible oil on trunks in summer, being careful not to get oil on leaves.

Borers. Check for lilac borers from early May to July.

If you note wilted foliage, look around base of canes for sawdustlike frass dropped by borer at work.

Insects hatch near base of shrub, bore into canes as they feed. They grow an inch long, are white with brown heads.

Squirt few drops of carbon disulphide into borer holes if you find only a few.

Chemical's fumes will kill insects in their tunnels.

Cut out badly riddled canes at ground level, and burn them immediately.

Old oilcan is a convenient carbon-disulphide dispenser.

Plug borer holes with gum, clay, or putty after applying carbon disulphide, to keep fumes in tunnels. Vigorous shrub will heal itself quickly.

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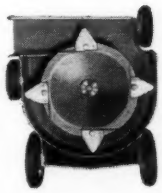

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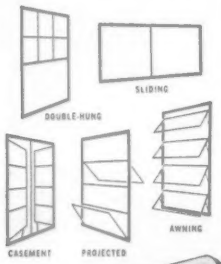

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Arithmetic can be fun

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multiplier and his opponent's card.

For example, Linda and I agree that the multiplier will be 3. Then we each turn up a card. Suppose she turns up a 5 and I turn up an 8. She has the lowest card, so she must multiply 3 x 8 and give the correct answer of 24 in order to score a point.

For practice in division, the same general scheme is used. But here, the use of "teen" cards makes the game more fun.

As an example, suppose that Linda and I agree that the divisor is to be 3 and she turns up a black 5 and I turn up a red 7. Since she turned up the lowest number, she has the opportunity to try for a point using the divisor 3.

Remembering that the red 7 is 17, she must say, "Three goes into 17 five times and remainder 2" in order to score a point.

Adjust rules to your child

Now that you understand the basic idea of the game, you can make your own rules to keep up with your child's progress in arithmetic problems.

As an example, when your child is ready for division by 6, take the face cards from the deck and let all the spades be "20" cards and the clubs "30" cards.

Learning by playing is fun

Your own ingenuity can keep the game interesting. Letting the child deal the cards and keep score will be additional fun.

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formation Agency, worked on the Voice of America broadcasts. Mrs. Esther L. Moscow is the mother of two girls, an ex-librarian, and served 7 years in the office of New York's mayor. Marjorie McGill is currently the youth adviser of the Catholic Youth Organization in New Haven, Connecticut.

"I picked a distaff staff," Judge Murphy told me, "because it has been my experience that women are more sensitive than men in most matters of good taste."

To learn the processing a comic book must undergo in order to merit the seal of approval, this reporter visited Judge Murphy's office to study the operation. "You are just in time," pert, businesslike Sue Flynn greeted me. "I'm about to review the March issue of *Mr. District Attorney*—that's a comic book based on the TV program with the same name."

Miss Flynn pointed to a 6-inch stack of black-and-white art pages on her desk. Starting with the cover, she devoted several minutes to each page, carefully studying the scene, caption, and speech balloons in each of the six panels. Whenever she finished a page that did not require any changes, she reached for a rubber stamp that bore the words, "Approved by the Comics Code Authority," and imprinted her official blessings.

Panel 3, page 16, however, made her reach for her blue pencil. "See this scene?" she said. "It shows one man hitting another with a blackjack. That's against the code. I'll suggest that the editor have the scene redrawn so that the knockout is accomplished with an uppercut."

Issues microfilmed

Outside of this minor infraction, *Mr. District Attorney* received a clean bill of health. "We can't O.K. the entire issue, however, until this change is made," Miss Flynn explained. She led me over to a microfilm camera in another office. "After a complete issue is approved, every one of the 32 pages is photographed on microfilm. Later, when the issue comes off the press, we will compare the published copy with our microfilm record to see whether any unauthorized substitutions were made on any of the pages after they left our office."

Later, in Judge Murphy's office, I found him in a hassle with an editor. The controversy involved a story based on the classic, *Treasure Island*. Several scenes in the comic version of this classic showed villainous pirates impaling each other with swords.

"I won't pass this sequence," said the judge. "It's too violent."

"But we're sticking to the actual Stevenson story," wailed the editor. "Why, the book is even more bloodthirsty."

"Sorry," ruled the judge, "but that's no defense. There's a great deal of material in the classics—and even in fairy tales—that we won't allow. In Hansel and Gretel, the witch gets stuffed into a blazing oven. That's a gruesome picture, any way you look at it."

Although it is physically impossible for Murphy to review all the stories himself, he screens a great proportion of them personally. He has a great trust in the judgment of his staff members and holds meetings with them at least once daily to discuss all borderline cases.

Despite this gimleteyed vigilance, Judge Murphy is realistic enough to admit that, in the beginning, his office will make mistakes. And, because the industry is still the most vulnerable sitting duck in the communications field, he knows that each blooper will serve as an arsenal of ammunition for the anticomic snipers.

"I'm not offering the familiar 'we're only human' excuse to alibi any early imperfections," says the judge. "Some will be due to honest errors of judgment. For example, a battle sequence involving cowboys and Indians may be considered by some as excessively violent. On the other hand, slam-bang action of this sort has been considered traditional entertainment fare for small fry ever since the Buffalo Bill dime novels of years ago. It's all in the way it's presented. When you realize that we must pass on more than 57,000 panels of illustrative matter a month, sometimes the thin line that separates such a scene from the boundary of acceptable action to the area of 'excessive violence' is seen out of focus. . . ."

Most encouraging, Judge Murphy reports a healthy trend of cooperation from the publishers. They have found he means business and have conditioned themselves to realize that undiluted respect for his principles will mean good business for them. And now that Operation Clean-Up has become a *fait accompli*, they agree that it's the best thing that ever hit the industry.

In the final analysis, however, it will be the public who will have to determine whether the new code is curing or camouflaging the cancer spots in the comic books. Conscientious parents should inspect the seal-approved books brought home by their youngsters and judge contents in respect to their own instinctive standards of good taste. Judge Murphy urges parents to go even further—*to write him for a free copy of the new Comics Code* so that they might study its rules and regulations and see whether they are being enforced in the magazines that bear his seal of approval. (Send request on post card to: Comics Code Authority, 41 E. 42nd St., New York City, New York.)

As Judge Murphy sums it up: "A lot of people call me a czar. The only czar I know is my conscience. If I can always satisfy it, I know I'm doing my job. Meanwhile, it will be up to the public to serve as a literal 'panel jury' and decide whether or not I can earn their vote of confidence."

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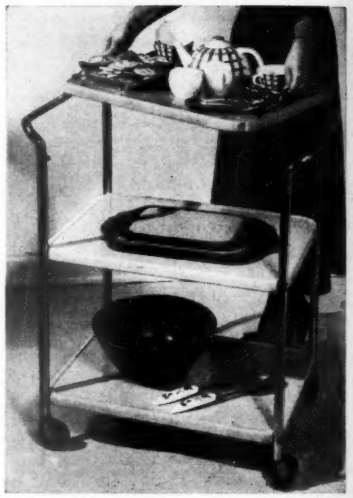

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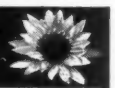

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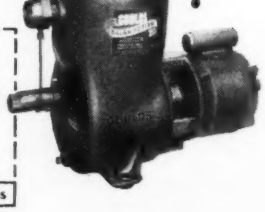

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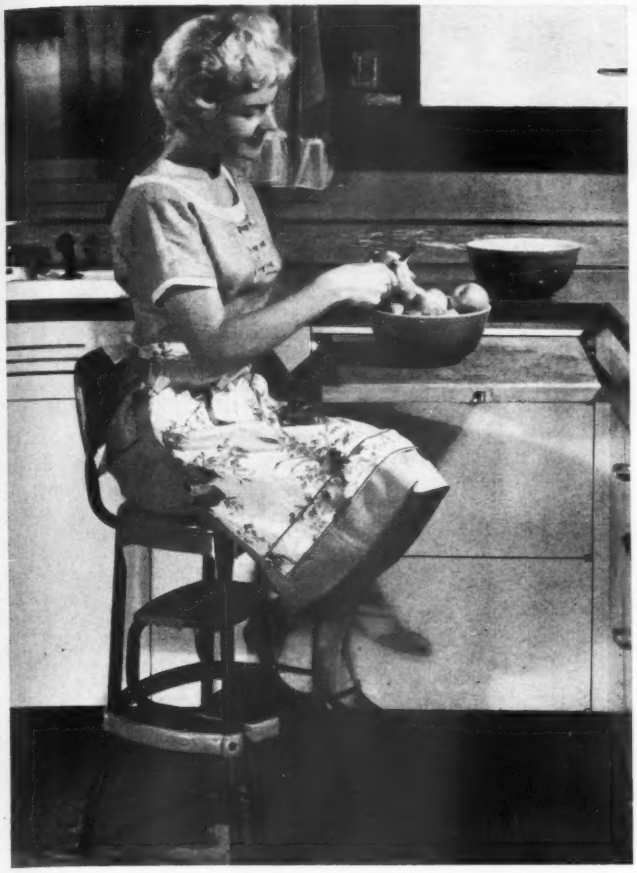

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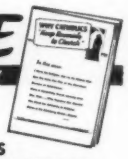

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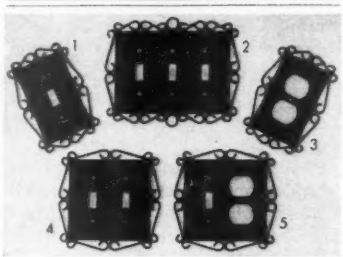

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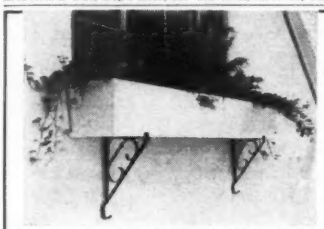

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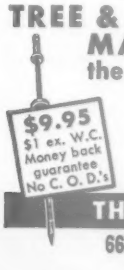

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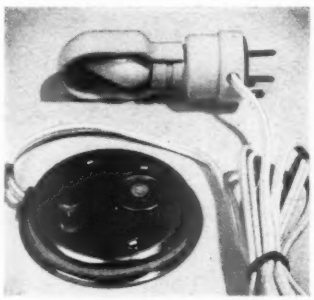

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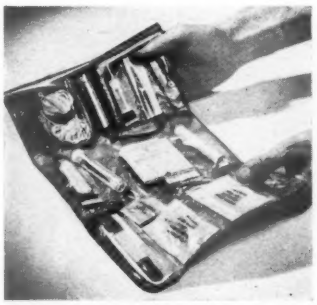

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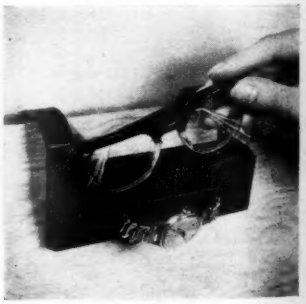

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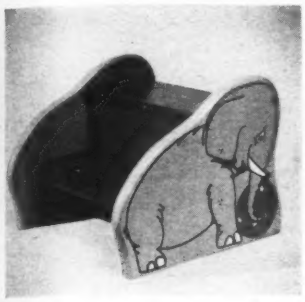

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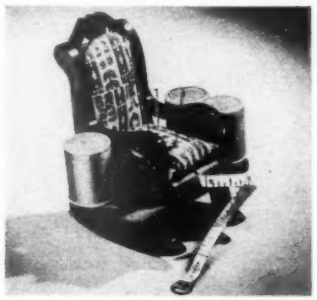

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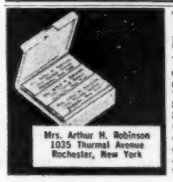

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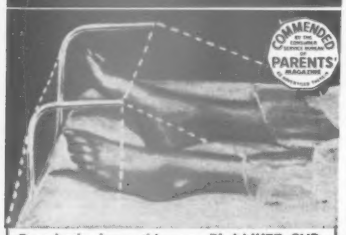

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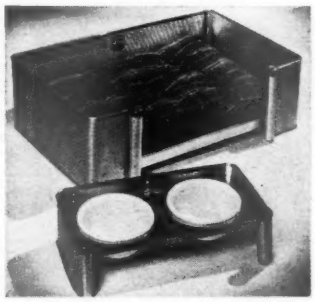

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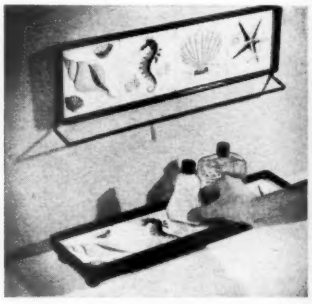

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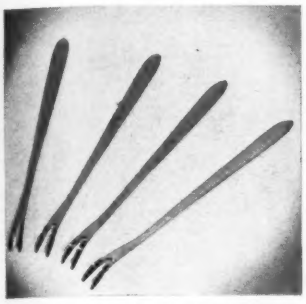

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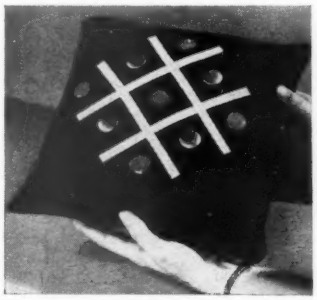

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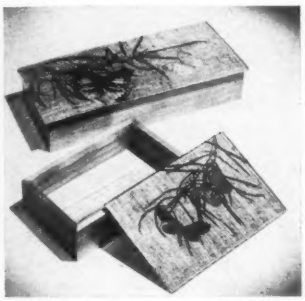

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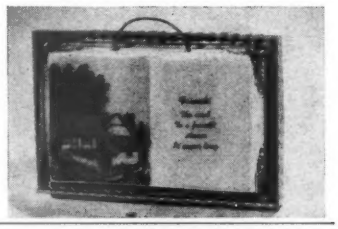

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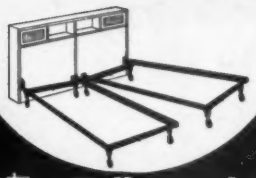

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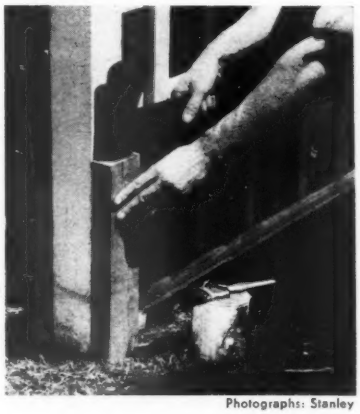
First aid for fences

An old post, decaying underground, may be making your fence wobble and sag. If the post's still solid at top, try this cure

Cut supports, approximate width of weak post, about a yard long. Saw tips to slant toward post so stake pushes inward as you drive it down. Drive several nails into top half of one support.

Set flat against post; drive down halfway. Use crowbar or some other strong lever to pry post up to right height. Have someone hold lever while you hammer nails through support into post.



With post supported at the right level, drive second support down even with the first. Nail to the post.

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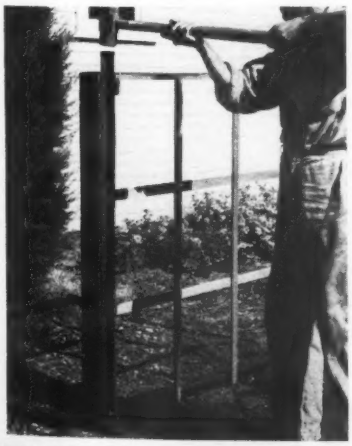

Here is another good way to strengthen a feeble fence. Buy punched angle steel post from a lumberyard, farm-supply store, or hardware dealer.

Drive metal post down tight against the wooden one. Stop when tops are flush. Drive a nail every few holes.

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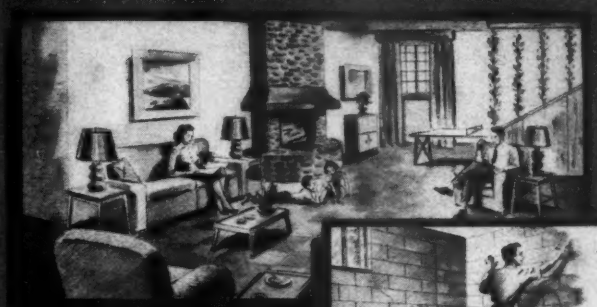

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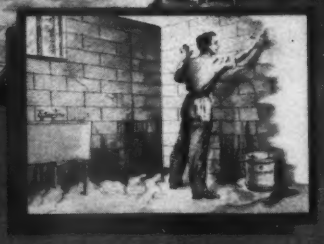

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Don't be trapped by these first serene days in March. Last year, I labored all of March 6 raking my yard. On March 7, every leaf the two neighbors had neglected since October blew onto my lawn to roost.

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At parties, we men would not congregate in one corner to the dismay of the hostess and other women if you women would just be blithe and expect neither admiration nor information.

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"What feeling!" exclaimed some underling when boss Fred Randolph showed his weekend landscape at the office. What *feeling* is right; looks like he painted it with his eyes closed.

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Modern kids are too darn smart. I jumped on mine this morning, demanding to know who had left the kitchen-stove burners on all night after making a bedtime snack. "I stand on my rights under the Fifth Amendment and refuse to answer," declared my unreasonable facsimile, "on the grounds that it might incriminate me."

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"There are at least three things that the average young housewife can make out of practically nothing," says my wise old mother. "A hat, a salad, and a quarrel."

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There are two times when a man should keep his mouth shut, advises my scholarly friend Robert J. Hannelly, Ph.D.: when diving and when angry.

As I study the newspapers and the commentaries, it seems to me that democracy says "Believe it or not" whereas communism says "Believe it or else."

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I am both content and regretful to report that the great pile-up of fruitcakes, candies, nuts, and puddings accumulated at Christmas has been consumed. Family digestion will be better now, but cost of desserts will be higher.

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My high-school Rosie had a touch of conscience, and asked Pastor Hall if she could still go to heaven though a sweetheart had kissed her good night. "If you can't, honey," said he, gently, "there's sure going to be a lot of empty space Up There."

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"Don't be afraid of any old income-tax collector," orders the strong character whom I married. "March right into his office and tell him what you think." By George, I'll do it! And what I think is, that I'd better pay him what he says I owe.

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Back when the phrase "outer space" meant West Texas or Wyoming, I was happy to own a little old scrawny Shetland pony for a few months. Now my eighth-grade son, with a birthday approaching, is hinting for material to make a genuine rocket ship. Thinks he knows how, and I wouldn't be surprised if he does.

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In a careless moment, I told our 10-year-old Judy Hillis she could do as she pleased with the nice used bicycle Santa brought her at Christmas. Yesterday, she traded it for a nice used horse which positively cannot stay parked on our front porch or even in our garage.

Experience tells me there's no particular pleasure in having nothing to do. The fun arises when you have lots to do and don't do it.

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Heard two psychologists arguing about whether we masculine he-men preferred the company of other men or of women. I could have told them, positively. It all depends on the women.

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If you have been a coddled only daughter, ma'am, you may have to work twice as hard at being a successful wife. For if your husband treated you in the manner to which you had become accustomed, you'd soon come to despise him, and vice versa.

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That new bundle of biceps in our family, Burton Hillis, Jr., is learning some of this earth's immutable laws of power. Last Saturday, he fought a boy 20 pounds heavier than he, then challenged all comers. So a girl 20 pounds lighter sent him running for home, bruised and sniffling.

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Spring will live up to expectations if you—respond to its blandishments with a little sly flirting in return . . . assume that Nature was right when she set aside this as the happy rejuvenation season . . . allow Daughter considerable leeway in choosing her escorts for a while . . . expect Son to be vague and dreamy and "out of this world" . . . look upon flowers and bird song not as being impractical but as indispensable . . . let housekeeping slip temporarily, in favor of time under the open sky . . . forget winter's failures and, as a family, plan summer's triumphs . . . take the fearful ides of March in stride instead of with striving.

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